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1                   YING SHI, Mandarin Interpreter,  
2           after having been duly sworn to interpret when  
3                   requested.

4                   SHU-CHUN SU,  
5           after having been duly sworn, testified in English  
6                   as follows:

7                   EXAMINATION

8           BY MR. BRALY:

9                   Q.           Good morning, Dr. Su.                   09:13:43

10                  A.           Good morning.                   09:13:44

11                  Q.           It's nice to meet you.               09:13:45

12                  A.           Nice to meet you too. Last time we   09:13:48  
13           chatted was last May.                   09:13:50

14                  Q.           Right. You know, I've had a chance   09:13:53  
15           to read your publications to kind of study your       09:13:55  
16           career a little bit, and I know that you've done a   09:13:59  
17           lot for the microscopy community and for the science 09:14:04  
18           community. I appreciate your spending the time to   09:14:06  
19           be here with us.                   09:14:09

20                  A.           Thank you.                   09:14:11

21                  Q.           Have you ever given a deposition   09:14:11  
22           before?                   09:14:13

23                  A.           Never.                   09:14:13

24                  Q.           I have a lot of ground to cover.   09:14:13



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1 This might take a while so feel free to ask for 09:14:18

2 breaks. 09:14:21

3 A. Okay. 09:14:21

4 Q. Given that English is not your first 09:14:21

5 language -- 09:14:26

6 A. No. 09:14:27

7 Q. -- if there is anything challenging 09:14:28

8 about what I am asking, please don't hesitate to 09:14:30

9 utilize the interpreter. If you don't understand 09:14:33

10 something, please ask me to -- 09:14:36

11 A. Thanks for understanding. 09:14:38

12 Q. I can ask terrible questions. Mr. 09:14:39

13 Hynes knows that. 09:14:42

14 You -- how old are you today? 09:14:44

15 A. I'm -- I will be 84 the end of the 09:14:47

16 year by November. 09:14:55

17 Q. You're joking? 09:14:56

18 A. I was born in 1940, November. 09:14:57

19 Q. Wow. You look great. 09:15:00

20 A. Thank you. Thank you. 09:15:03

21 MR. PLACITELLA: 84 I ask what you're 09:15:07

22 doing here. 09:15:09

23 Q. You what born in China, correct? 09:15:10

24 A. Yes. 09:15:12

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1 Q. Where regionally in China? 09:15:12

2 A. In the southwest. 09:15:15

3 Q. Southwest? 09:15:17

4 A. Southwest. The area called Chongqing. 09:15:18

5 It's a Sichuan province, used to be but later that 09:15:22

6 city was I think changed into the direct city under 09:15:26

7 central government which elevate status to like a 09:15:33

8 province like a state. 09:15:38

9 Q. Okay. You went to college in China 09:15:40  
10 originally, correct? 09:15:46

11 A. Yes. 09:15:47

12 Q. I saw a reference to postgraduate 09:15:48  
13 work done at the University of Moscow. Is that 09:15:54  
14 the -- 09:15:58

15 A. No, no. What I meant here, you see I 09:15:58  
16 went to college in 1957, so at that time, China and 09:16:03  
17 Russia still in honeymoon, but later they broke from 09:16:11  
18 each other. So at that time, the Peking University 09:16:15  
19 which attended was consider the premium university 09:16:21  
20 in China. So the government says since the Moscow 09:16:25  
21 University science program, they are six-year 09:16:32  
22 instead of a four year, we should follow that. 09:16:38  
23 Therefore, my undergrad program it take six years 09:16:43  
24 although the degree is only a bachelor. 09:16:47

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1 Q. I understand. I was asking because 09:16:50  
2 the University of Idaho is in Moscow, Idaho. 09:16:54

3 A. That's right. 09:17:00

4 Q. So I didn't know if you had ever 09:17:03  
5 attended school at Moscow Idaho, which is -- 09:17:05

6 A. I'm sorry. I thought Moscow in 09:17:09  
7 Russia. 09:17:13

8 Q. Well, I was looking to clarify that. 09:17:13

9 A. Okay. 09:17:17

10 Q. I appreciate it. All right. When 09:17:17  
11 did you -- when did you come to the United States 09:17:33  
12 for the first time? 09:17:36

13 A. 1981. 09:17:38

14 Q. 1981? 09:17:40

15 A. Summer. 09:17:41

16 Q. This was after you earned your 09:17:42  
17 master's in science in mineralogy at The Institute 09:17:45  
18 of Geology and Geophysics at the Chinese Academy of 09:17:49  
19 Sciences? 09:17:53

20 A. Yes. 09:17:53

21 Q. All right. In 1981, did you -- is 09:17:54  
22 that when you started working with Professor Donald 09:18:00  
23 Bloss and Paul Ribbe? 09:18:04

24 A. Yes. 09:18:05

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1 Q. Okay. That was at -- 09:18:06

2 A. Actually 1981, because it was the 09:18:07

3 sabbatical year of Donald Bloss, so actually he got 09:18:13

4 the chair professor in University of New Mexico in 09:18:19

5 Albuquerque. So I joined him directly first in 09:18:24

6 Albuquerque during his sabbatical. Then the next 09:18:30

7 year we move back to Virginia Tech. 09:18:35

8 Q. Okay. You completed your PhD program 09:18:38

9 in geology and mineralogy in 1985? 09:18:45

10 A. Actually, it was in '84. However, I 09:18:49

11 attended the '85 graduation, the commencement, yeah. 09:18:54

12 Q. You did your postdoctoral research... 09:19:01

13 A. After my PhD. 09:19:10

14 Q. I understand. Okay. Tell me about 09:19:11

15 the -- do you have a lab in Delaware? Am I 09:19:17

16 understanding this correctly? 09:19:21

17 A. Now? 09:19:23

18 Q. Yes. 09:19:23

19 A. I have simple equipment, polarized 09:19:25

20 light microscope at home. Okay. 09:19:30

21 Q. Okay. 09:19:32

22 A. But it's not a lab. You can look at 09:19:33

23 the same slides or things like that. 09:19:38

24 Q. Is that in Newark, Delaware or in -- 09:19:40

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1	A. Bear, Delaware.	09:19:43
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2 (Reporter asks for clarification.) 09:19:43

3 THE WITNESS: B-e-a-r, that's next to 09:19:45

4	Newark.	09:19:49
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5 Q. Okay. I didn't know there was a 09:19:49

6 Newark, Delaware, so Bear is completely new to me. 09:19:51

7	A.	Yes.	09:19:58
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8	Q.	Do you live in Delaware?	09:19:59
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9	A.	Yes.	09:20:00
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10	Q.	Okay. This sounds like a trap	09:20:01
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11 question or something. It's not, I promise you. I 09:20:09

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12      am curious.                                09:20:12
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13	What is your immigration status?	09:20:12
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14	A.	I'm an American citizen.	09:20:14
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15	Q. You are, okay. When did you get	09:20:16
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16	naturalized as an American citizen?	09:20:19
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17	A.	I guess after work at Hercules.	I	09:20:21
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18      start working for Hercules in 1987, but at that time 09:20:24
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19 I was still -- I was at a green card. However, my 09:20:30

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20      job, I have to travel.  Hercules multination      09:20:36
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21 company. We have about six, 70 plus facilities in 09:20:42

22	Europe, so I had to travel to Europe. The company	09:20:49
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23        said we can do the visa for you.  However, it takes        09:20:54

24 time. However, you already here for so many years, 09:21:01

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1       you're eligible to be naturalized. Then it makes 09:21:07  
2       your travel to work easier. So then, I was 09:21:13  
3       naturalized in 1995. In, let me see, eight years 09:21:17  
4       after I work for Hercules. 09:21:26

5               Q.       Do you -- you have a series of 09:21:31  
6       publications going back. I think the earliest one 09:21:51  
7       that I have is an article that you wrote or coauthor 09:21:55  
8       on with Professor Bloss and Mickey Gunter from 1983 09:22:02  
9       called "Gladstone-Dale Constants; a New Approach." 09:22:09

10              A.       Mm-hmm, yes. 09:22:15

11              Q.       You're familiar with this article? 09:22:16

12              A.       Yeah. 09:22:17

13              Q.       I don't need to mark this article. 09:22:18  
14       I'm just -- is this the first time that your name 09:22:21  
15       appeared as an author in the peer-reviewed 09:22:24  
16       literature? 09:22:26

17              A.       I think earlier than that, because I 09:22:27  
18       listed only articles related to the polarized light 09:22:31  
19       microscopy optical property of minerals. However, 09:22:40  
20       even when I was in China I published in 09:22:45  
21       peer-reviewed articles. 09:22:49

22              Q.       Let me come back to you. We need to 09:22:50  
23       clarify something for her. 09:22:52

24                       (Reporter asks for clarification.) 09:22:52

1 THE WITNESS: Light microscopy. 09:22:57

2 Q. We did a search for articles that you 09:23:02  
3 had authored. I think was the earliest one that we 09:23:08  
4 pulled up. 09:23:11

5 Did you publish articles in China 09:23:12  
6 before coming to the United States? 09:23:15

7 A. That's right. 09:23:16

8 Q. Had you published anything related to 09:23:17  
9 polarized light microscopy in China before coming to 09:23:20  
10 the United States? 09:23:25

11 A. Yes, I did. 09:23:25

12 Q. You did. Before I ask you about 09:23:27  
13 that, when did you meet Mickey Gunter? 09:23:33

14 A. 1981, when I arrived at Albuquerque. 09:23:37  
15 Because he was in Albuquerque as well with Doug 09:23:42  
16 Bloss. That's the first time we met. 09:23:50

17 Q. In Albuquerque that was part of the 09:23:52  
18 graduate program? 09:23:56

19 A. Yes, my PhD program. 09:23:56

20 Q. You and Mickey Gunter, I mean, to 09:24:00  
21 this day you guys have a professional friendship. 09:24:07  
22 You guys have been friends for a long time? 09:24:10

23 A. Yeah. 09:24:13

24 Q. I have to ask you this: Stories get 09:24:13

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1 told and everything. I have heard that when you 09:24:20  
2 guys were in your graduate program that you lived in 09:24:24  
3 the same building as each other. 09:24:28  
4 A. That is not true. 09:24:30  
5 Q. That is not true. Okay. 09:24:30  
6 A. You see Mickey was married. 09:24:32  
7 Q. Yeah. 09:24:34  
8 A. So we lived in different apartment, 09:24:35  
9 okay. And after he come back from Albuquerque, and 09:24:42  
10 she [sic] and his wife, they rent a home, but I only 09:24:50  
11 rented apartment in apartment complex. So then we 09:24:56  
12 have never been roommate. I noticed something like 09:25:02  
13 Dr. Longo said we were roommate. No. We were 09:25:06  
14 office mate. That is inaccurate. And also school 09:25:10  
15 mate. Okay. 09:25:14  
16 Q. Okay. Well, we can correct that 09:25:15  
17 rumor then. 09:25:19  
18 A. Yeah. Thanks. 09:25:21  
19 Q. You guys did work together. You guys 09:25:22  
20 did your school work together. You were friends. 09:25:24  
21 A. That's right. 09:25:29  
22 Q. And you're still friends? 09:25:29  
23 A. Right. 09:25:32  
24 Q. You are -- Dr. Longo has said this. 09:25:34



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1 You were there for his testimony -- quite 09:25:43  
2 well-respected with the polarized light microscopy. 09:25:48  
3 How did you get involved in that specific field? 09:25:51  
4 What drew you to it? 09:25:54  
5 A. Polarized light microscopy? 09:25:56  
6 Q. Right. 09:26:00  
7 A. My first job in China after I 09:26:01  
8 graduate from the college, I got a job in northwest 09:26:03  
9 China, which is a geological survey of Gansu 09:26:12  
10 Province. So the structure in China geology is you 09:26:16  
11 have a ministry of geology, then have geological 09:26:20  
12 survey in every province. Now, at that time I was 09:26:24  
13 working at central lab of the geological survey of 09:26:30  
14 Gansu Province. The mission of that lab I was in a 09:26:40  
15 group called rock and mineral identification. China 09:26:43  
16 at that time, they are still doing the grunt 09:26:50  
17 geological work, which is the geological mapping. 09:26:55  
18 The Gansu is a very large province. 09:26:59  
19 The field geologists, when they do the mapping, they 09:27:04  
20 collect samples on a grid, like every kilometer or 09:27:09  
21 every 500 meters. So they put a grid, they collect 09:27:15  
22 samples, rocks, minerals. So they sent us samples 09:27:22  
23 to our lab for us to identify. The polarized light 09:27:27  
24 microscope is the instrument. 09:27:34

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1                   So the rock, we ground the rock.                   09:27:37

2           There is a lot for to prepare the samples for us.           09:27:40

3           You grind the rock, cut in small piece, grind that           09:27:45

4           to 30 microns thick in uniform, and then cover with           09:27:49

5           cover glass with glue. Then you put this on the           09:27:55

6           polarized light microscope. Then you identify           09:27:59

7           whether it's quartz, it's feldspar, it's muscovite.           09:28:05

8           Anyway, those so-called rock-forming minerals. Of           09:28:13

9           course, the ultra basic rock is not uncommon now,           09:28:18

10          which contains serpentine and chrysotile --           09:28:21

11                   (Reporter asks for clarification.)           09:28:21

12                   THE WITNESS: It's a mineral name,           09:28:35

13          chrysotile, c-h-r-y-s-o-t-y-l-e.           09:28:35

14                   MR. HYNES: I-l-e.           09:28:42

15           A.           So, therefore, as I said, I start to           09:28:43

16          use the polarized light microscopy to identify           09:28:46

17          rock-forming minerals in 1964. Actually, I've been           09:28:53

18          doing that in China for maybe more than ten years.           09:29:05

19          Yeah.           09:29:09

20           Q.           What we are going to be discussing           09:29:13

21          today has to do with a process referred to as           09:29:16

22          central stop dispersion staining, which am I correct           09:29:20

23          that this methodology is something that you           09:29:27

24          developed?           09:29:31

1           A.       No. Central stop dispersion staining 09:29:32  
2       was invented by Russia mineralogist in 1930s. It 09:29:37  
3       was I think introduced to China probably 1950s. 09:29:47  
4       Okay. And also to the United States I think Dr. 09:29:54  
5       McCrone was the pioneer to introduce that method. 09:29:59  
6           Q.       We'll talk about it in more detail 09:30:06  
7       later. 09:30:09  
8           A.       Okay. 09:30:10  
9           Q.       But the -- it's called central stop 09:30:10  
10      because there is actually a block that blocks the 09:30:13  
11      light that's in the central part of the aperture 09:30:17  
12      that allows polarized light to travel around that 09:30:22  
13      central block. 09:30:24  
14           A.       Actually, I actually brought today an 09:30:25  
15      objective central stop, the McCrone. 09:30:31  
16           Q.       Great. 09:30:34  
17           A.       Yes. There's a small metal disc that 09:30:36  
18      the diameter are usually 2 to 3 millimeter in size, 09:30:44  
19      a circle metal disc at a back focal plane of the 09:30:48  
20      objective. Yeah. That is called central stop. 09:30:53  
21           Q.       And the purpose of this is to prevent 09:30:56  
22      light from passing directly through -- 09:30:59  
23           A.       To block the batching wavelengths. 09:31:03  
24           Q.       Okay. 09:31:07

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1 A. Between the liquid and the solid. 09:31:08

2 Q. Cool. We'll get more technical about 09:31:13

3 that later. 09:31:16

4 A. Okay. 09:31:17

5 Q. There's been something that's been 09:31:18

6 referred to as the "Su Method" of dispersion 09:31:35

7 staining for the identification of chrysotile, maybe 09:31:41

8 not for chrysotile but for asbestos in samples. 09:31:49

9 What is your understanding of what the "Su Method" 09:31:54

10 is and how does this distinguish from normal central 09:31:59

11 stop dispersion staining process? 09:32:05

12 MR. HYNES: Form. 09:32:11

13 You can answer. 09:32:11

14 A. The Su Method, actually, that was 09:32:12

15 named by a professor I think in Amherst University, 09:32:15

16 a university in Massachusetts, Stoiber and Morse, 09:32:30

17 Professor Morse. Because he is a very famous, like, 09:32:32

18 mineralogist. When he wrote -- his textbook as been 09:32:38

19 widely used in the geology department. They called 09:32:46

20 it Pumpkin Book because the book is pumpkin color 09:32:51

21 Dr. Green is Green Book. Professor... 09:33:01

22 Q. Morse? 09:33:04

23 A. Morse book people call it Pumpkin 09:33:05

24 Book. 09:33:08

1 Q. So you have the Pumpkin Book and you 09:33:09  
2 have the Green Book? 09:33:11

3 A. That's right. 09:33:11

4 Q. All right. 09:33:11

5 A. After they come to the states to do 09:33:13

6 PhD with Doc Bloss, Professor... Pumpkin Book 09:33:15

7 author. 09:33:30

8 Q. Morse? 09:33:30

9 A. Morse, he was revising his book. It 09:33:32

10 happened the publisher sent his book for me to 09:33:39

11 review. Okay. And when I was reviewing his book, I 09:33:43

12 found there's a part of his textbook, how do you 09:33:53

13 calculate the refract [ph] index from the dispersion 09:34:00

14 staining color. It's very cumbersome. It's a lot 09:34:06

15 mathematics. Actually so I was actually friends 09:34:11

16 with Professor Morse, so we talk about. I said this 09:34:18

17 shouldn't be that complicated. Okay. 09:34:26

18 Professor Morse used a calculation 09:34:32

19 and Dr. McCrone used a graphic solution. You plot 09:34:37

20 the dispersion curve of the liquid, and also you 09:34:43

21 plot its dispersion curve of whether it's chrysotile 09:34:50

22 or amosite, whatever. You plot this curve. You 09:34:55

23 find the intersection where it's so-called matching 09:35:01

24 wavelengths. Then you graphically solve the refract 09:35:04

1 index for the 589 nanometer wavelengths because that 09:35:11  
2 is the standard wavelengths used to describe 09:35:17  
3 material refract index. 09:35:23

4 MR. PLACITELLA: Would it make sense 09:35:39  
5 for the two of you to switch? 09:35:41

6 A. Actually, now, that's why I develop 09:35:53  
7 the so-called equation a simple equation to go from 09:36:00  
8 the dispersion coefficient of the liquid which is 09:36:07  
9 listed on the bottle of the liquid. 09:36:14

10 Q. Right. 09:36:17

11 A. And also the dispersion of the 09:36:19  
12 mineral you have those data in a textbook, in a 09:36:21  
13 mineralogy book. I used that to the parameter. I 09:36:26  
14 found an analytical relationship between them and 09:36:31  
15 the wavelength. So that would make the derivation 09:36:36  
16 of refract index from the dispersion staining color 09:36:45  
17 a lot easier -- 09:36:50

18 Q. And then -- I'm sorry. 09:36:52

19 A. Then Professor Morse, he revised that 09:36:54  
20 chapter of his book and he used my material. He is 09:37:00  
21 the first man call it Su Method. So Su Method is 09:37:08  
22 not just for the asbestos identification; it is for 09:37:13  
23 deriving the numerical value of refract index, from 09:37:18  
24 the dispersion staining color. 09:37:23

1 Q. Okay. And the steps involved in this 09:37:27  
2 involve the interaction between wavelength and 09:37:31  
3 refractive index values based on the temperature of 09:37:36  
4 what's being sampled at that time? 09:37:40

5 A. Yeah. The temperature, actually the 09:37:42  
6 reason the temperature is considered because the 09:37:45  
7 liquid is sensitive -- its refract index is 09:37:50  
8 sensitive to the temperature. Therefore, the effect 09:38:05  
9 is on the fourth decimal place, about usually around 09:38:11  
10 .0005. So each fluctuates of 2 centigrade degree 09:38:17  
11 will change one unit in the third decimal place. 09:38:24  
12 Then it matters. 09:38:29

13 Q. Okay. Okay. We will have plenty of 09:38:31  
14 time to talk about that more. 09:38:42

15 A. Okay. 09:38:44

16 Q. I want to I suppose go through some 09:38:44  
17 of the legals, legal part of this. 09:38:48

18 You are here because of -- that 09:38:54  
19 didn't work the way I wanted it to. You're here 09:39:00  
20 because of a lawsuit filed here in New Jersey called 09:39:11  
21 Kayme Clark and also because of the ongoing 09:39:19  
22 litigation in what's referred to as the 09:39:23  
23 multidistrict litigation related to the ovarian 09:39:25  
24 cancer cases. Do you understand that? 09:39:31

1 A. Yes. 09:39:33

2 Q. Okay. There are a couple of exhibits 09:39:34

3 that I'm going to start building out for this 09:39:37

4 deposition. The first two exhibits; Exhibit 1, is 09:39:40

5 just the notice of deposition for the Kayme Clark 09:39:43

6 case. 09:39:49

7 (Exhibit 1 Clark Third Amended Notice of 09:39:51

8 Deposition marked for identification.) 09:39:53

9 Q. Exhibit 2 is going to be the notice 09:39:53

10 of deposition for the MDL, both for today. I don't 09:40:07

11 really have I don't think any questions about those 09:40:12

12 documents specifically. 09:40:15

13 (Exhibit 2 PSC 2nd Amended Deposition Notice 09:40:15

14 of Shu-Chun Su marked for identification.) 09:40:21

15 Q. Exhibit 3 is the report that you 09:40:21

16 issued dated May 21st of 2024. I believe that's the 09:40:23

17 document that's directly in front of you. 09:40:28

18 A. Yep. 09:40:30

19 Q. Great. I'm sure you have gathered we 09:40:30

20 will be talking about this document. 09:40:33

21 A. Okay. 09:40:34

22 (Exhibit 3 Report dated May 21, 2024 marked 09:40:34

23 for identification.) 09:40:38

24 Q. Exhibit 4 is going to be a report 09:40:38



1       that you authored in 2022 titled "Talc Misidentified   09:40:40  
2       As Chrysotile, a Review of MSS 71134 and 71376 Talc   09:40:47  
3       Analysis of Gold Bond Medicated Powder dated       09:40:57  
4       January 30, 2022."                                   09:41:03

5               (Exhibit 4 Talc Misidentified As Chrysotile,   09:40:46  
6       a Review of MSS 71134 and 71376 Talc Analysis of       09:40:48  
7       Gold Bond Medicated Powder dated January 30, 2022   09:40:58  
8       marked for identification.)                       09:41:05

9                       You're familiar with this --       09:41:05

10            A.       Yes.                                   09:41:06

11            Q.       -- publication too?               09:41:07

12            A.       Yes. It's not publication. It's       09:41:08  
13       just a review.                                   09:41:10

14            Q.       Thank you. That's correct. I did       09:41:11  
15       misspeak on that.                               09:41:16

16                       That publication I believe was the       09:41:16  
17       first time that you had signed your name to any       09:41:19  
18       report involving a litigation-type matter; is that   09:41:24  
19       right?   09:41:24

20            A.       I think so. But at that time I       09:41:31  
21       didn't even understand the nature of the report       09:41:32  
22       before me. It's just a report about analysis of the   09:41:46  
23       asbestos.                                       09:41:52

24            Q.       Right. Before this report,           09:41:53

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1 Exhibit 4, which is from 2022, you did have prior 09:42:01  
2 involvement with MAS and Dr. Longo's laboratory in 09:42:10  
3 Georgia, right? 09:42:14

4 A. Yes. 09:42:15

5 Q. You served as an NVLAP or NVLAP 09:42:15  
6 auditor, correct? 09:42:26

7 A. Yes. 09:42:27

8 Q. Did you know Dr. Longo personally 09:42:28  
9 before this report? 09:42:33

10 A. You see, I did the on-site assessment 09:42:37  
11 of an MAS in 2015. That's the first time I met Dr. 09:42:42  
12 Longo. Because after the assessment, I think we 09:42:51  
13 talked briefly before I left. That's only time we 09:42:56  
14 talked before the -- before this, this review. 09:43:04

15 Q. Before you saw him in the courthouse 09:43:09  
16 in May? 09:43:11

17 A. That's right. 09:43:12

18 Q. Do you recall being at MAS before 09:43:13  
19 2015? 09:43:23

20 A. The name? 09:43:24

21 Q. The lab, MAS. 09:43:25

22 A. Yeah, yeah, yeah. 09:43:27

23 Q. You didn't meet Dr. Longo until 2015? 09:43:28

24 A. That's right, until I visit the lab. 09:43:32

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1 But I heard about that lab, 'cause, as you know, the 09:43:35  
2 NVLAP, I am one of the technical expert for NVLAP. 09:43:40  
3 So we now probably pretty much the laboratory in the 09:43:45  
4 United States, so MAS is one of them. 09:43:49

5 Q. You may not -- you may just not 09:43:55  
6 recall this. We can mark this as Exhibit 5. I am 09:43:58  
7 going to do all my exhibits electronically. We 09:44:01  
8 don't need to sticker this. I will provide the 09:44:04  
9 documents electronically. 09:44:08

10 (Exhibit 5 2006 Accreditation Sheet Or 09:44:10  
11 Report For Material Analytical Services marked for 09:46:14  
12 identification.) 09:44:49

13 Q. I just need to mark this. I don't 09:44:49  
14 have any detailed questions about this document 09:45:10  
15 right now other than, were you aware or did you 09:45:13  
16 just -- I mean, I know it's been a long time, but 09:45:24  
17 did you just not recall being present at MAS as far 09:45:27  
18 back as December of 2006? 09:45:32

19 A. I forgot. 09:45:35

20 Q. No problem. I may ask you about that 09:45:36  
21 later. I may later. 09:45:45

22 MR. BRALY: Exhibit 5 is a 2006 09:46:06  
23 accreditation sheet or report for material 09:46:10  
24 analytical services. That's what it is. 09:46:16

1 Q. Dr. Su, just one additional question, 09:46:42  
2 if your name appears as the assessor's name at 09:46:45  
3 the -- in that document, does that mean that you 09:46:49  
4 personally did the assessment of the lab? 09:46:51  
5 A. Yes, I did. 09:46:54  
6 Q. Okay. You can set that aside. We 09:46:55  
7 may come back to that. 09:46:58  
8 A. Okay. 09:47:00  
9 Q. The report that is Exhibit 4, it says 09:47:01  
10 at the very beginning of this -- you see it on the 09:47:12  
11 screen here that Dr. Gunter had asked you to do -- 09:47:15  
12 conduct the analysis of the materials, correct? 09:47:21  
13 A. Mm-hmm, yes. 09:47:24  
14 Q. Did Dr. Gunter, was he the first 09:47:27  
15 person to bring to your attention that Dr. Longo was 09:47:30  
16 using polarized light dispersion staining to 09:47:35  
17 identify chrysotile and talc samples? 09:47:40  
18 A. No. Because at the lab when I do the 09:47:45  
19 assessment, I will check the -- there are two 09:47:48  
20 program, PLM and TM. So the PLM is dispersion 09:47:53  
21 staining. 09:48:00  
22 Q. Was Dr. Gunter -- did Dr. Gunter 09:48:01  
23 bring to your attention that Dr. Longo was finding 09:48:06  
24 chrysotile in cosmetic talc samples by PLM? 09:48:12

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1 A. That document says that, but at that 09:48:21  
2 time I was not aware of the litigation, you see. 09:48:26

3 Q. Right. That's kind of what I was 09:48:31  
4 getting at. Dr. Gunter was the person who brought 09:48:34  
5 this issue to your attention, right? 09:48:37

6 A. Correct. 09:48:40

7 Q. You and Dr. Gunter -- there was a 09:48:40  
8 criticism about this report, Exhibit 4, that you may 09:48:50  
9 not have written Exhibit 4, this report. You're 09:48:56  
10 familiar with that criticism, correct? 09:49:01

11 A. Which criticism? 09:49:03

12 Q. The criticism that you did not 09:49:05  
13 actually write this report. You're aware of that 09:49:06  
14 criticism? 09:49:10

15 A. Yes. 09:49:10

16 Q. And you and Dr. Gunter got together 09:49:11  
17 and shot a short video where you said that, no, I 09:49:14  
18 did, in fact, this is my report? 09:49:18

19 A. Yeah. 09:49:20

20 Q. Did Dr. Gunter write this report and 09:49:20  
21 then ask you to review it for whether or not it was 09:49:27  
22 in conformance with your opinions? 09:49:31

23 A. No, not at all. Not at all. 09:49:33

24 Q. This report from 2022 is your 09:49:36

1 authorship. You typed this out? 09:49:40

2 A. Yeah. 09:49:43

3 Q. Okay. 09:49:43

4 A. Yes. 09:49:45

5 Q. For Exhibit 3 -- in Exhibit 3 is your 09:49:46

6 report in this case. It's the one that you have in 09:49:56

7 front of you. 09:49:58

8 A. Mm-hmm. 09:50:00

9 Q. There is a PowerPoint section. It's 09:50:00

10 Appendix C. 09:50:03

11 A. Yes. 09:50:05

12 Q. Who created that PowerPoint? 09:50:06

13 A. Myself entirely. 09:50:08

14 Q. Entirely? 09:50:10

15 A. Yeah. 09:50:11

16 Q. Okay. 09:50:11

17 A. It takes lot of time and effort. 09:50:12

18 Q. Oh, I know it does. My dad is 83. 09:50:14

19 He can barely turn on a computer. I'm impressed. 09:50:18

20 MR. PLACITELLA: My dad is 98 and he 09:50:22

21 is very good in turning on a computer. 09:50:24

22 MR. BRALY: You should take some tips 09:50:28

23 from him. 09:50:30

24 BY MR. BRALY: 09:50:32

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1 Q. Okay. So the Exhibit C, the 09:50:33  
2 PowerPoint that you developed that you put that 09:50:37  
3 together yourself? 09:50:40

4 A. Yes. 09:50:40

5 Q. Okay. Did Dr. Gunter have any input 09:50:43  
6 or any involvement with the development of the 09:51:05  
7 report that's in front of you now, which is 09:51:09  
8 Exhibit 3? 09:51:12

9 A. Not at all. I did not talk with him 09:51:12  
10 during this period. I never told him, like, I'm 09:51:19  
11 working on something. Okay. 09:51:26

12 Q. When you say during this period, do 09:51:28  
13 you mean during the period that you created the 09:51:30  
14 Exhibit 3 PowerPoint? 09:51:34

15 A. Yes. 09:51:35

16 Q. Yes, okay. When was the last time 09:51:36  
17 that you talked with Dr. Gunter? 09:51:39

18 A. That should be maybe months or more 09:51:47  
19 ago. Yes, that would be the last time we talked. 09:51:55

20 Q. Are you saying months ago? 09:52:02

21 A. Months or more ago. 09:52:03

22 Q. Months or more, okay. You are 09:52:05  
23 acquainted with Dr. Matt Sanchez and Dr. Bryan 09:52:08  
24 Bandli? 09:52:19

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1 A. Yes. 09:52:19

2 Q. When did you first meet Dr. Sanchez 09:52:20

3 or Dr. Bandli? 09:52:24

4 A. I believe it was in two thousand -- I 09:52:26

5 forget the year. The first time we met, Sanchez, it 09:52:37

6 was last symposium of The Geological Society of 09:52:42

7 America annual meeting. They have a special 09:52:50

8 symposium on Dr. Bloss, the contribution. So I 09:53:00

9 remember of course Dr. Gunter was there and Matt 09:53:10

10 Sanchez was there. 09:53:18

11 Q. Did Dr. Gunter introduce you to Matt 09:53:19

12 Sanchez? 09:53:23

13 A. Yes. 09:53:23

14 Q. Are you aware of the relationship 09:53:24

15 between Dr. Gunter and Matt Sanchez and Bryan 09:53:26

16 Bandli? 09:53:31

17 A. That's right, I am fully aware. 09:53:35

18 Actually, I met Dr. Bryan in Chicago because McCrone 09:53:38

19 Research Institute host a course about spindle 09:53:47

20 stage. So I was one of the instructors. Dr. Gunter 09:54:03

21 also brought, brought Dr. Bryan. I believe he was 09:54:08

22 doing his PhD with him at that period. So he came 09:54:14

23 also to Chicago. That's the first time I met Bryan. 09:54:19

24 Q. And Dr. Bryan is Bryan Bandli? 09:54:24



1 A. Yeah. 09:54:29

2 Q. Perfect. The Bloss symposium where 09:54:30

3 Dr. Gunter introduced you to Matt Sanchez, when was 09:54:34

4 that? 09:54:37

5 A. 2012 or -- I don't remember exact 09:54:42

6 year. 09:54:49

7 Q. When did you first come to know that 09:54:52

8 Matt Sanchez serves as an expert witness for Johnson 09:54:56

9 & Johnson in litigation-related matters? 09:55:03

10 A. I think until this year I start get 09:55:07

11 involved. I didn't know that before. 09:55:14

12 Q. Okay. Did you know if Matt Sanchez 09:55:17

13 was involved with expert consulting or testifying 09:55:20

14 work for anybody before this year, 2024? 09:55:25

15 A. I wasn't aware. 09:55:29

16 Q. When you met Bryan Bandli in Chicago, 09:55:32

17 did Dr. Gunter introduce you to him as well? 09:55:47

18 A. Yes. 09:55:51

19 Q. Okay. When did that occur? What 09:55:51

20 year? 09:55:57

21 A. Let me see my... I should be able to 09:55:58

22 find out from -- because I listed that on a training 09:56:02

23 course I conducted. Let me see my... 1986 -- no. 09:56:10

24 That's Virginia Tech. That is not Chicago. Let me 09:56:29

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1 see. 09:56:34

2 Q. Can I make a suggestion? At page -- 09:57:31

3 it's the 14th overall page but page two of your 09:57:36

4 references, there is an entry here -- if you look at 09:57:39

5 the screen -- for 2004 where it's Dr. Gunter, Bryan 09:57:43

6 Bandli, Dr. Bloss talking about how to build a 09:57:48

7 spindle stage. This looks just inferentially kind 09:57:52

8 of like what you're talking about, sort of. 09:57:58

9 A. This paper resulted from that McCrone 09:58:05

10 course. 09:58:10

11 Q. Perfect. You first met Bryan Bandli 09:58:10

12 sometime -- 09:58:14

13 A. Before -- 09:58:15

14 Q. -- before 2004? 09:58:16

15 A. Yeah. 09:58:20

16 Q. Is that fair? 09:58:21

17 MR. HYNES: For clarification go to 09:58:22

18 page four, it's the second entry on page four. 09:58:23

19 THE WITNESS: Yeah, that was the 09:58:34

20 short course. 09:58:36

21 Q. Okay. 2003? 09:58:37

22 A. Yeah. 09:58:40

23 Q. Okay. Are you aware that Matt 09:58:41

24 Sanchez and Bryan Bandli had both been students of 09:58:46

1 Mickey Gunter? 09:58:52

2 A. Yes. 09:58:53

3 Q. Yes. Had you maintained a working 09:58:53

4 relationship with either Matt Sanchez or Bryan 09:59:00

5 Bandli after meeting them, meaning did you 09:59:05

6 correspond with them or did you work collaboratively 09:59:09

7 on papers? 09:59:13

8 A. No. 09:59:14

9 Q. After -- so you provided to me, and 09:59:14

10 to Mr. Placitella, information including 09:59:47

11 correspondence between yourself and Matt Sanchez, 09:59:53

12 and between yourself and Ann Wylie? 09:59:57

13 A. Yes. 10:00:00

14 Q. Yes? 10:00:02

15 A. What's on the screen right now is a 10:00:03

16 collection of seven pages. I am going to go through 10:00:05

17 some of these. They are in chronological order. 10:00:08

18 The first one is -- by the way, this 10:00:11

19 is Exhibit 6. 10:00:14

20 (Exhibit 6 Series of Emails marked for 10:00:15

21 identification.) 10:00:16

22 Q. The first one is dated May 23, 2024, 10:00:16

23 at very early in the morning. What were you doing 10:00:22

24 at 3:37 a.m.? 10:00:24

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1           A.           I woke up probably early.           10:00:27

2                       MR. HYNES:   Clarifying I think           10:00:31

3           timestamp on these emails is Chinese --           10:00:34

4                       THE WITNESS:   I was in the States           10:00:39

5           last May.   No, no.   That's right.   The May 23rd, I           10:00:40

6           was in China.           10:00:45

7           Q.           Okay.           10:00:47

8           A.           Now I recall.   I came back on the           10:00:48

9           27th.           10:00:52

10                      MR. PLACITELLA:   You're not as crazy           10:00:53

11           as I am.           10:00:55

12           Q.           Regardless, the question that you           10:00:57

13           were asking Dr. Sanchez was whether or not he could           10:01:02

14           send a gram or less of the two Calidria chrysotiles           10:01:06

15           to me at your office in Bear, Delaware.   Do you see           10:01:11

16           that?           10:01:16

17           A.           Yes.           10:01:16

18           Q.           [Reading] It would be great if they           10:01:16

19           can be delivered no later than 5/27.           10:01:20

20           A.           That's the date I came back from           10:01:23

21           China.           10:01:26

22           Q.           All right.   And then you're aware           10:01:27

23           that Dr. Longo's first day of hearing in the Clark           10:01:32

24           case relative to his PLM procedure began on           10:01:40

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1	May 30th?	10:01:44
2	A. Yes.	10:01:47
3	Q. You were present for that?	10:01:48
4	A. Yes.	10:01:49
5	Q. Right. So prior to the hearing on	10:01:49
6	May 30th, you had not conducted any analysis on	10:01:55
7	Calidria or samples identify as Calidria yourself,	10:02:00
8	correct?	10:02:05
9	A. No.	10:02:05
10	Q. Do you know where Matt Sanchez	10:02:06
11	acquired this Calidria material that he had?	10:02:11
12	A. I believe it was from Mickey Gunter,	10:02:17
13	Dr. Gunter.	10:02:22
14	Q. Did you ever review Dr. Gunter's PLM	10:02:24
15	analysis of Calidria?	10:02:28
16	A. No.	10:02:31
17	Q. Are you aware that Dr. Gunter did an	10:02:33
18	analysis of Calidria?	10:02:36
19	A. Yeah, I'm aware, but I want -- I am	10:02:39
20	not interested in other people's analysis. I want	10:02:42
21	to see myself. Okay.	10:02:45
22	Q. Right. Okay. Are you aware that Dr.	10:02:48
23	Gunter testified that his analysis of Calidria	10:02:59
24	produced central stop dispersion staining colors	10:03:03

1 similar to Dr. Longo's analysis of Calidria? 10:03:07

2 MR. HYNES: Objection. Assumes 10:03:12

3 facts, misstates testimony. 10:03:14

4 A. I wasn't aware of any testimony in 10:03:14

5 May. 10:03:17

6 Q. The next message in Exhibit 6 is from 10:03:23

7 May 23rd -- I said these were chronological. They 10:03:28

8 are -- is from May 23rd. There is a response from 10:03:31

9 Matt Sanchez that is not included here. It says, 10:03:35

10 quote, text hidden. Do you see that? 10:03:39

11 A. Okay. 10:03:41

12 Q. Do you know what Dr. Sanchez wrote 10:03:43

13 back to you? 10:03:46

14 A. Oh, yes. He said I will, I will make 10:03:47

15 sure it arrived before May 27th. So I said thank 10:03:50

16 you. Okay. 10:03:55

17 Q. Okay. The next correspondence that 10:03:56

18 was produced to me is from June 11, 2024, at 10:51 10:04:01

19 a.m. 10:04:08

20 A. Mm-hmm. 10:04:08

21 Q. This is from Dr. Sanchez to you 10:04:09

22 discussing a call that is happening that day. 10:04:13

23 A. Yeah. 10:04:17

24 Q. Okay. And Bryan in this context is 10:04:17

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1 Bryan Bandli? 10:04:21

2 A. Yes. 10:04:22

3 Q. This occurred after Dr. Longo had 10:04:26

4 completed his testimony about his PLM analysis -- 10:04:30

5 A. Yes. 10:04:30

6 Q. -- in the court case with Judge 10:04:35

7 Viscomi? 10:04:38

8 MR. HYNES: Wait for him to finish 10:04:42

9 the question. Hang on. Give him a second to make 10:04:43

10 sure the question is through and then respond. Not 10:04:46

11 in the middle of the question. It's okay. 10:04:48

12 THE WITNESS: Okay. 10:04:50

13 MR. BRALY: People can do this for 10:04:51

14 years and get that wrong. It's -- this is 10:04:52

15 conversational, but it's not a conversation, if that 10:04:56

16 makes sense. 10:05:00

17 MR. HYNES: She can't take down two 10:05:01

18 people speaking at once. 10:05:03

19 BY MR. BRALY: 10:05:06

20 Q. The next correspondence that we have 10:05:06

21 from Exhibit 6 is the same date, couple minutes 10:05:09

22 later where you just respond and say yeah, 12 is 10:05:12

23 fine, right? 10:05:16

24 A. Correct. 10:05:17

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1 Q. Apparently at 12 you guys had a 10:05:19  
2 meeting and then at 1:46 p.m. you said please see 10:05:23  
3 the attachment. 10:05:30

4 A. Yes. 10:05:30

5 Q. What was attached is a file dated 10:05:30  
6 June 7, 2024, called the Pittsburgh Work Plan. Do 10:05:36  
7 you see that? 10:05:40

8 A. Yes. 10:05:40

9 Q. Okay. This is the next page. It's 10:05:40  
10 not something I need to ask you about. 10:05:49

11 Then the last email that I have is 10:05:53  
12 from June 12, 12:47 p.m. that says [Reading] I have 10:05:56  
13 the link now. No resend is necessary. 10:06:01

14 Do you see that? 10:06:05

15 A. Yes. 10:06:05

16 Q. Is that the last correspondence that 10:06:05  
17 you had in writing with either Matt Sanchez or Bryan 10:06:08  
18 Bandli? 10:06:12

19 A. I believe so. 10:06:13

20 Q. Okay. The remainder of the 10:06:14  
21 conversations or communications between you and Mr. 10:06:18  
22 Sanchez and Mr. Bandli have been by phone or by 10:06:22  
23 video, correct? 10:06:26

24 A. You see, I went to RJ Lee in 10:06:28



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1 Pittsburgh on the 14th of June, two days after this 10:06:34  
2 meeting because we were discussing what I want to 10:06:40  
3 do, what kind of sample I want analyzed. So after 10:06:45  
4 this written communication, I met him in Pittsburgh. 10:06:52  
5 Okay. 10:07:00

6 Q. My question was, all of the 10:07:01  
7 conversations between you and Dr. Sanchez and Dr. 10:07:04  
8 Bandli after June 12th have been either face-to-face 10:07:07  
9 or by video conference or on the phone? 10:07:13

10 A. Correct. 10:07:16

11 Q. Did somebody tell you not to 10:07:17  
12 communicate in writing with Dr. Sanchez? 10:07:19

13 A. No, no. Because we see each other, 10:07:22  
14 there is no need to communicate in writing. Okay. 10:07:26

15 Q. Hold on a second. I am going to have 10:07:54  
16 to do just a little bit of mechanical tinkering with 10:07:57  
17 this. 10:08:00

18 MR. HYNES: Good time for a quick 10:08:00  
19 break? 10:08:02

20 MR. BRALY: Yeah, let me ask a 10:08:03  
21 question and we can do that. I agree with you. 10:08:04  
22 It's a PowerPoint. I just have to export it as a 10:08:08  
23 pdf. This will be Exhibit 7. 10:08:12

24 (Exhibit 7 Pittsburgh Work Plan marked for 10:08:27

1 identification.) 10:08:27

2 Q. This is the supposed Pittsburgh Work 10:08:27

3 Plan that you had attached to that email to Dr. 10:08:31

4 Sanchez and Dr. Bandli, correct? 10:08:35

5 A. Correct. 10:08:37

6 Q. This work plan is a two-page document 10:08:37

7 that includes steps that you wanted to take -- what 10:08:43

8 does it include? I shouldn't presume. You tell me, 10:08:49

9 what were you doing here? 10:08:53

10 A. Yes. Because RJ Lee Group, they have 10:08:56

11 a Leica DM 2700 P polarized light microscope which 10:09:12

12 Dr. Longo has. So what I plan to do is to use the 10:09:22

13 same microscope to analyze the samples in question 10:09:29

14 to verify my MDL report. Okay. Because when I 10:09:39

15 wrote MDL report was based on the data of MS report. 10:09:45

16 But I'm confident my analysis of this report is 10:09:53

17 correct. However, since I have a chance to use the 10:09:59

18 same instrument, I want to produce my own work to 10:10:05

19 prove my opinion in my MDL report. 10:10:13

20 MR. BRALY: Would you like to take a 10:10:20

21 break? 10:10:21

22 MR. HYNES: Yeah. Why don't we take 10:10:21

23 five minutes. 10:10:23

24 THE WITNESS: Okay. 10:10:24

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1 (A break was taken.) 10:28:01

2 BY MR. BRALY: 10:28:24

3 Q. Welcome back, Dr. Su. 10:28:24

4 A. Thank you. 10:28:27

5 Q. I've marked Exhibit 8. Exhibit 8 is 10:28:28

6 two emails. Show you the second one, the second 10:28:32

7 page. 10:28:37

8 (Exhibit 8 Two Emails marked for 10:28:37

9 identification.) 10:28:38

10 Q. It should be on the monitor in front 10:28:38

11 of you. The first one is dated March 5, 2024, from 10:28:40

12 an individual named Michael Douglas, whose signature 10:28:45

13 file indicates that he is an attorney at King & 10:28:47

14 Spalding. Do you see that? 10:28:53

15 A. Yes. 10:28:53

16 Q. It is asking you if you are amenable 10:28:53

17 to retention in the Kayme and Dustin Clark case. Do 10:28:56

18 you see that? 10:29:00

19 A. Yes, I see. 10:29:00

20 Q. The second email is also from Mr. 10:29:01

21 Douglas, same -- oh, it's to a distribution list 10:29:03

22 called J&J talc expert as well, asking if you're 10:29:11

23 amenable to retention in the ovarian MDL group. 10:29:17

24 This one is dated Friday, April 5, 2024. Do you see 10:29:23

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1	that?	10:29:27
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2	A.	I saw that.	10:29:27
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3 Q. Okay. Do you have any return email 10:29:28

4 from you back to Mr. Douglas accepting these offers? 10:29:31

5 A. I remember I replied by yes. 10:29:37

6 Q. Did you ever -- you are on a 10:29:43

7 retention agreement that pays you \$800 an hour, 10:29:53

8 correct? 10:29:56

9	A.	Correct.	10:29:56
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10	Q. Before March 5th of 2024, which is	10:29:57
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11	when this first document is dated, who initially	10:30:05
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12       approached you on behalf of Johnson & Johnson asking   10:30:10

13 about your availability to be an expert witness for 10:30:15

14	them?	10:30:18
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15	A.	Kevin, Mr. Kevin Hynes.	10:30:19
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16	Q.	Mr. Hynes, the individual sitting	10:30:26
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17	next to you now?	10:30:28
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18	A. Yes.	10:30:29
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19 Q. All right. Do you recall when Mr. 10:30:30

20	Hynes first made contact with you?	10:30:32
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21	A.	In March or February. I don't	10:30:38
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22	remember.	10:30:40
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23	Q.	This year though?	10:30:40
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24	A. This year. Anyway, this year.	10:30:41
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1 Q. Had you ever spoken to Mr. Hynes 10:30:44

2 before March or February of this year? 10:30:47

3 A. No. We first met in Wilmington, 10:30:51

4 Delaware, Wilmington, Delaware. We did not speak 10:31:02

5 before that. 10:31:07

6 Q. Well, how did you come to meet? 10:31:09

7 A. I think I was introduced by attorney 10:31:13

8 Kurt Grieves. 10:31:21

9 Q. I am not sure. Grieves? 10:31:23

10 A. Grieves. 10:31:24

11 MR. HYNES: Greve, G-r-e-v-e. 10:31:25

12 MR. BRALY: Thank you. 10:31:28

13 BY MR. BRALY: 10:31:30

14 Q. Is Attorney Greve, is he -- do you 10:31:30

15 know who he works for? 10:31:34

16 A. I know. American International -- 10:31:35

17 AII. 10:31:41

18 Q. Okay. This may be -- this may be a 10:31:41

19 technical question so if you don't know the answer 10:31:49

20 to this, that's fine. 10:31:51

21 Do you know if he works for AII or if 10:31:53

22 he is a lawyer for AII? 10:31:56

23 A. I believe he works. 10:31:59

24 Q. Okay. Have you ever met an 10:32:02

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1 individual named Robert Faxon? 10:32:05

2 A. I don't remember. I don't remember. 10:32:10

3 I am not very good in names. 10:32:22

4 Q. He is a lawyer. Heavy southern 10:32:25

5 drawl, accent, bald. 10:32:32

6 A. Let me see. 10:32:39

7 Q. It's all right if you don't remember. 10:32:40

8 A. Yeah. 10:32:42

9 Q. If you don't remember, that's fine. 10:32:43

10 A. Okay. 10:32:45

11 Q. Do you know Mr. Greve through your 10:32:45

12 prior work from that report that we looked at 10:32:52

13 previously -- 10:32:55

14 A. For Golden Bond Baby Powder. 10:32:56

15 (Reporter asks for clarification.) 10:32:56

16 MR. BRALY: It's Gold Bond, but he is 10:33:05

17 saying it "golden." 10:33:08

18 BY MR. BRALY: 10:33:11

19 Q. Do you know how you met Mr. Greve the 10:33:11

20 first time, how you were introduced to him? 10:33:14

21 A. That was after I wrote a review for 10:33:17

22 Dr. Gunter. So and then I came to States in August 10:33:23

23 last year because my daughter -- with my daughter. 10:33:33

24 She lives in Washington, DC. So at that junction, I 10:33:40

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1 think they -- Dr. Gunter knows I am coming to the 10:33:45

2 States. Then I met with Mr. Greve. 10:33:52

3 Q. Okay. You know Dr. Gunter has served 10:33:57

4 as an expert witness for AII in asbestos-related 10:34:00

5 lawsuits. You're aware of this, right? 10:34:07

6 A. I only aware he working with Mr. 10:34:10

7 Greve. At that time, I didn't even know AII name 10:34:14

8 so, okay. 10:34:19

9 Q. All right. So Dr. Gunter initially 10:34:20

10 asked you to write this report in January of 2022 10:34:46

11 related to Gold Bond. 10:34:50

12 A. You finished? 10:34:56

13 Q. I was going to continue. 10:34:57

14 A. Okay. 10:34:58

15 Q. That's correct so far, right? 10:34:59

16 A. Let me say this: He, actually he did 10:35:01

17 not ask me to write anything. He asked me to review 10:35:05

18 and I believe is such complicate matter, technical 10:35:11

19 matter I need to write down my opinion, but he did 10:35:19

20 not ask me to write any review paper. 10:35:23

21 Q. Okay. 10:35:28

22 A. Okay. That I did. 10:35:29

23 Q. That January 2022 paper is when you 10:35:32

24 first theorized that the lighting Dr. Longo utilized 10:35:36

1 may be at its full intensity? 10:35:42

2 A. Yeah, that was my opinion. 10:35:45

3 Q. Right. After that, you -- in August 10:35:46

4 of 2023, you and Dr. Gunter met again in Washington, 10:35:54

5 DC where you recorded the video, that very short 10:36:00

6 video where he confirmed that you had actually 10:36:04

7 written that report. 10:36:07

8 A. Correct. That's on the 28th of 10:36:08

9 August. Okay. 10:36:10

10 Q. That video was shot from multiple 10:36:12

11 different camera angles. Do you know who paid to 10:36:16

12 set up the videographer crew? 10:36:18

13 A. Nobody told me that. That I did not 10:36:22

14 ask. 10:36:26

15 Q. Up until August of 2023, had you been 10:36:27

16 paid any money by anybody for your work reviewing 10:36:31

17 Dr. Longo's PLM analysis? 10:36:37

18 A. No. 10:36:42

19 Q. After that, you were introduced to 10:36:43

20 Mr. Greve, who you believe to be employed with AII, 10:36:47

21 correct? 10:36:52

22 A. That was later, but not at that time. 10:36:53

23 Okay. 10:36:57

24 Q. Mr. Greve is the person who 10:36:58



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1 introduced you to Mr. Hynes? 10:37:02

2 A. Yes. 10:37:04

3 Q. Had you had any contact with anybody 10:37:05

4 representing Johnson & Johnson prior to meeting Mr. 10:37:09

5 Hynes? 10:37:13

6 A. No. 10:37:14

7 Q. Have you ever met Bruce Bishop? 10:37:15

8 A. I didn't know this name. Yeah, I 10:37:19

9 never met this name. 10:37:22

10 Q. Have you ever corresponded with Bruce 10:37:24

11 Bishop? 10:37:27

12 A. No, never. 10:37:28

13 Q. Other than Mr. Douglas, who we see in 10:37:38

14 Exhibit 8, and Mr. Hynes, have you corresponded with 10:37:42

15 any other attorneys for Johnson & Johnson? 10:37:45

16 MR. HYNES: Clarifying, do you mean 10:37:50

17 corresponding in writing? 10:37:52

18 MR. BRALY: I do. 10:37:53

19 A. Let me think. I don't think so, but 10:37:55

20 I could hardly remember. 10:38:10

21 Q. Other than Mr. Hynes, have you had 10:38:12

22 meetings or conversations with any other attorneys 10:38:14

23 representing Johnson & Johnson going back to 10:38:19

24 February or March of 2024? 10:38:23

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1	A.	No.	10:38:27
2	Q.	Have you ever spoken with Morty	10:38:34
3	Dubin?		10:38:37
4	A.	Yes, I did.	10:38:38
5	Q.	Tell me when you met Mr. Dubin and	10:38:39
6	when you guys first met.		10:38:43
7	A.	That was the, the May 29th or	10:38:49
8	May 30th, Dr. Longo's hearing. At first I met Morty		10:38:57
9	Dubin that day.		10:39:07
10	Q.	Okay. All right. Have you discussed	10:39:09
11	your potential testimony in the MDL or in Ms.		10:39:16
12	Clark's case with anybody other than Mr. Hynes?		10:39:21
13	A.	No.	10:39:32
14	Q.	Have you consulted with Mickey Gunter	10:39:32
15	about the nature of litigation or the types of		10:39:36
16	questions you may receive?		10:39:39
17	A.	No.	10:39:41
18	Q.	When you prepared for this	10:39:44
19	deposition, did you only meet with Mr. Hynes?		10:39:46
20	A.	Yes.	10:39:50
21	Q.	Did you review potential questions	10:39:55
22	that you might be asked?		10:39:57
23	MR. HYNES:	I object on the grounds	10:39:58
24	of privilege to the extent that you're asking for		10:40:00

1	the content of communications with counsel during	10:40:03
2	the preparation for MDL and Clark cross-noticed	10:40:05
3	deposition.	10:40:15
4	MR. BRALY: What privilege are you	10:40:16
5	referring to?	10:40:17
6	MR. HYNES: Work product privilege.	10:40:17
7	MR. BRALY: That is not work product	10:40:19
8	privileges.	10:40:21
9	MR. HYNES: With respect to the	10:40:22
10	content of communications in preparation for a	10:40:22
11	deposition session I believe it is.	10:40:25
12	MR. BRALY: So I don't agree with	10:40:39
13	you. Yelling at you about it won't do anything.	10:40:41
14	I'm going to modify my question, but not because I	10:40:45
15	agree with you so we may come back to this at a	10:40:48
16	later time.	10:40:52
17	MR. HYNES: Sure. Go ahead.	10:40:53
18	BY MR. BRALY:	10:40:56
19	Q. Don't tell me what, but did you	10:40:58
20	review potential questions that you may be asked at	10:41:00
21	this deposition?	10:41:04
22	A. Review with whom?	10:41:05
23	Q. Mr. Hynes.	10:41:07
24	A. We met yesterday just go over my MDL	10:41:10

1 report. That's it. 10:41:17

2 Q. No practice questions or anything 10:41:19

3 like that? 10:41:21

4 A. No. 10:41:22

5 Q. Okay. Did you review any deposition 10:41:23

6 transcripts of examinations that I've conducted or 10:41:26

7 Mr. Placitella had conducted or anything of that 10:41:31

8 nature? 10:41:37

9 A. I don't remember. 10:41:37

10 Q. Okay. Have you reviewed anybody 10:41:38

11 else's deposition or trial transcripts in 10:41:41

12 preparation for this case or either of these cases? 10:41:44

13 A. Not for the preparation, but I did 10:41:49

14 see it, did read I think Dr. Longo's deposition 10:41:57

15 document, the transcript, before, but I don't think 10:42:04

16 it's related to my deposition. 10:42:09

17 Q. In this retention -- excuse me. In 10:42:23

18 this retention letter of March 5, 2024, you're 10:42:29

19 provided with an anticipated trial date for this 10:42:33

20 case of July 22, 2024. Do you see that? 10:42:36

21 A. Yes, I see that. 10:42:40

22 Q. Now, that is not currently the trial 10:42:41

23 date for Ms. Clark's case, but in March that was 10:42:44

24 accurate. 10:42:47

1 Are you aware that you have not been 10:42:49  
2 designated as an expert witness in Ms. Clark's case? 10:42:51  
3 A. No. 10:42:57  
4 Q. Okay. Your -- so it's -- your first 10:42:58  
5 contact with anybody representing Johnson & Johnson 10:43:11  
6 relative to asbestos litigation was in February or 10:43:15  
7 March of this year. 10:43:19  
8 A. Correct. 10:43:21  
9 Q. All right. Do you know what Mr. 10:43:21  
10 Hynes relationship with mister... 10:43:24  
11 MR. HYNES: Greve. 10:43:31  
12 MR. BRALY: I will start the question 10:43:33  
13 over again. 10:43:35  
14 Q. Do you know what Mr. Hynes's 10:43:35  
15 relationship with Mr. Greve is going back prior to 10:43:37  
16 you meeting Mr. Hynes? 10:43:40  
17 A. They have to because Mr. Greve 10:43:43  
18 introduce Mr. Hynes to me. They must know each 10:43:49  
19 other before that. 10:43:53  
20 Q. I agree with that. 10:43:54  
21 A. Okay. 10:43:56  
22 Q. What I am driving at is, do you have 10:43:56  
23 any understanding about what -- how they knew each 10:43:58  
24 other or under what circumstances? 10:44:01

1 A. No, I don't. 10:44:03

2 Q. Very well. Since your retention in 10:44:04

3 March, you have been under an agreement where they 10:44:11

4 will pay you \$800 an hour for your time, correct? 10:44:17

5 A. Correct. 10:44:21

6 Q. Did you consult with anybody in 10:44:21

7 coming up with that value for your time? 10:44:24

8 A. I did. 10:44:27

9 Q. Who? 10:44:27

10 A. My daughter. She's in finance. 10:44:28

11 Q. Well, okay. There were a series of 10:44:35

12 invoices provided, and instead of marking each of 10:44:41

13 them individually, we created a summary, which is 10:44:45

14 Exhibit 9. 10:44:48

15 (Exhibit 9 Summary of Invoices marked for 10:44:49

16 identification.) 10:44:49

17 Q. There is actually a copy of it in 10:44:49

18 front of you. 10:44:51

19 A. Yes. 10:44:52

20 Q. Does the summary, does it appear 10:44:53

21 accurate? 10:44:59

22 MR. HYNES: I will note that he 10:45:00

23 hasn't had a chance to go back through each invoice 10:45:01

24 and compare. 10:45:03

1 But you can answer. 10:45:05

2 A. It should be, because I recognize 10:45:07

3 that is the invoice I sent. 10:45:10

4 Q. In total since March 6th of this 10:45:14

5 year, up to this date or the last invoice is 10:45:27

6 June 24th, you've billed 322.9 almost 323 total 10:45:32

7 hours? 10:45:40

8 A. Yes, I did. 10:45:40

9 Q. For these entries -- this entry of 10:45:41

10 May 30th of 2024, were you billing \$800 an hour to 10:45:49

11 sit in the courtroom and watch Dr. Longo's 10:45:58

12 testimony? 10:46:02

13 A. I believe I did. 10:46:02

14 Q. Your report in this case was 10:46:05

15 completed or issued on May 21st. Here. It's 10:46:11

16 Exhibit 3. It's dated May 21st. Do you see that? 10:46:19

17 A. Mm-hmm. 10:46:24

18 Q. So leading up to May 21st, I can 10:46:25

19 understand the work that you were conducting to put 10:46:37

20 together your report. What is taking up your time 10:46:41

21 since May 30th for these entries of 12 hours, 12 10:46:46

22 hours, 12 hours? What does that involve? What have 10:46:51

23 you been doing? 10:46:56

24 A. I believe I am still review the 10:47:01

1 material at hands and also issues related to my MDL 10:47:05  
2 report. Okay. 10:47:14  
3 Q. Okay. Your total billing since March 10:47:16  
4 of this year through June 24th has been \$258,240, 10:47:20  
5 correct? 10:47:26  
6 A. Correct. 10:47:26  
7 Q. With the exception of March, every 10:47:27  
8 single month you've billed in excess of \$65,000? 10:47:34  
9 A. Correct. 10:47:39  
10 Q. All right. Oh, Mr. Douglas, Michael 10:47:40  
11 Douglas, this person to whom this -- from whom this 10:48:01  
12 email is from, exhibit -- I'm sorry -- in Exhibit 8, 10:48:06  
13 have you ever spoken with him? 10:48:12  
14 A. Yes, I did. 10:48:16  
15 Q. Okay. About what? 10:48:17  
16 A. About -- I think the purchase of 10:48:20  
17 polarized microscope, which is the seller is in 10:48:28  
18 Connecticut, ask him to arrange transportation to 10:48:32  
19 bring that microscope to New York City. Okay. 10:48:39  
20 Q. Purchase the polarized light 10:48:46  
21 microscope for what purpose? Don't you already have 10:48:49  
22 one of those? 10:48:53  
23 A. Well, the one I had was not very 10:48:53  
24 good. I purchased an Olympus BH-2, which used to be 10:48:58



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1	the working horse for the asbestos lab. That's a	10:49:04
2	pretty decent microscope. I want one so that it's	10:49:07
3	better if I want to exam some samples at home.	10:49:14
4	Okay.	10:49:19
5	Q. Did King & Spalding purchase that?	10:49:19
6	A. No. I did.	10:49:22
7	Q. You purchased it. What did that	10:49:23
8	microscope cost?	10:49:25
9	A. I remember it's 1500.	10:49:26
10	Q. 1500 or 15,000?	10:49:30
11	A. No. 1500 and I have my credit card	10:49:31
12	charge.	10:49:38
13	Q. Sure. Did you participate with the	10:49:39
14	attorneys for Johnson & Johnson in preparing	10:49:46
15	questions to ask Bill Longo in his hearing?	10:49:49
16	A. I don't think so because I came back	10:49:57
17	on the 27th from China. The hearing is 29th and I	10:50:01
18	don't think so.	10:50:11
19	Q. Did you participate with lawyers from	10:50:11
20	Johnson & Johnson in preparing questions for Paul	10:50:14
21	Hess's deposition taken yesterday?	10:50:18
22	A. I think we talk about that but not	10:50:29
23	necessarily like say the question to be asked.	10:50:32
24	Okay. But I did mention the problem in the MS	10:50:39

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1 report of the PLM analysis, the problem of the 10:50:46  
2 analysis. Now, if the analysis was done by Paul 10:50:51  
3 Hess, then it must be the problem about his 10:50:57  
4 analytical skill, things like that. Yeah. 10:51:03

5 Q. When you say problems, we are going 10:51:09  
6 to talk about these eventually at some point we will 10:51:11  
7 get to it. But that would include problems with the 10:51:15  
8 lighting, problems with the field of view? 10:51:18

9 A. Mm-hmm. 10:51:23

10 Q. I'm sorry. You have to say yes or 10:51:24  
11 no. 10:51:26

12 A. Yes. 10:51:27

13 Q. I'm sorry. Problems with the size 10:51:27  
14 distribution? 10:51:31

15 A. Yes. 10:51:33

16 Q. I think those are the big ones. Am I 10:51:34  
17 missing a big one? 10:51:40

18 A. Or so the distorted dispersion 10:51:42  
19 staining color. 10:51:46

20 Q. The focus with the reflection effect? 10:51:47

21 A. Yeah. 10:51:51

22 Q. Right? 10:51:52

23 A. Yeah. 10:51:53

24 Q. Okay. Did you evaluate Mr. Hess's 10:51:53

1 responses to any of those criticisms in his 10:52:00

2 deposition yesterday? 10:52:04

3 A. No, but I was attending so I'm aware 10:52:06

4 of his answers, yeah. 10:52:12

5 Q. For example, when we get to talking 10:52:14

6 about the lighting associated with the analysis that 10:52:16

7 was performed, you're aware that these microscopes 10:52:20

8 have a lighting adjustment knob, correct? 10:52:24

9 A. Correct. 10:52:28

10 Q. And you're aware that lighting can be 10:52:28

11 digitally manipulated after the fact through digital 10:52:32

12 software, correct? 10:52:37

13 MR. HYNES: Vague, overbroad. 10:52:43

14 He can answer. 10:52:46

15 A. Are you talking about the micrograph 10:52:48

16 or the time the field of view when he is conducting 10:52:52

17 the analysis? 10:52:59

18 Q. Both very good questions. Before I 10:52:59

19 get into the details on this, I'm asking generally. 10:53:02

20 A. Okay. 10:53:06

21 Q. You're aware that images can be 10:53:07

22 artificially brightened or dimmed using software 10:53:10

23 like PowerPoint or Photoshop or things of that 10:53:14

24 nature? 10:53:17

1 A. Yes, of course. 10:53:17

2 Q. Of course. Did you evaluate Mr. 10:53:19

3 Hess's responses in the deposition where he 10:53:23

4 testified under oath that the PLM when he conducted 10:53:27

5 the analysis was at its full brightness? 10:53:33

6 A. Was what? 10:53:36

7 Q. Was at its full brightness. 10:53:38

8 A. I was aware his testimony, but since 10:53:42

9 I used that microscope myself, so I believe what he 10:53:47

10 said was not true. 10:53:54

11 Q. When is the first time you used, 10:53:56

12 quote, unquote, that microscope? 10:54:00

13 A. That was on the 15th of last month, 10:54:02

14 June 15th. 10:54:06

15 Q. Okay. So the first time you used the 10:54:07

16 what you believe to be the same microscope that Mr. 10:54:10

17 Hess used was after you had authored your report in 10:54:13

18 these cases? 10:54:16

19 A. Correct. 10:54:19

20 Q. In fairness to you, this next 10:54:38

21 question has no natural place anywhere in my 10:54:40

22 outline, so this is an out-of-left-field question. 10:54:45

23 I need to prepare you for that. 10:54:48

24 What is the tensile strength of 10:54:50

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1	chrysotile?	10:54:54
2	A. Could I look my report?	10:54:56
3	Q. Mm-hmm.	10:54:58
4	A. The tensile strength of chrysotile	10:55:25
5	according to the literature is 1.1 to 4.4 gigabars.	10:55:29
6	Q. What page are you looking at on	10:55:43
7	your --	10:55:45
8	A. I am looking at page 40.	10:55:46
9	Q. 40? Is the page on the screen right	10:55:49
10	now the page that you're referencing?	10:56:19
11	A. That is the talc. The previous.	10:56:22
12	Q. I'm sorry.	10:56:25
13	A. Yeah, yeah, I'm referring this page.	10:56:26
14	Q. Okay. I got you. It's paginated 40	10:56:28
15	in Exhibit C. It's page 60 in the pdf of Exhibit 3	10:56:32
16	just for the record. Okay.	10:56:38
17	Is there any way to measure the	10:56:42
18	tensile strength of chrysotile with a microscope?	10:56:45
19	A. No.	10:56:50
20	Q. Let me ask you now about your	10:57:03
21	interactions with Ann Wylie, all right?	10:57:18
22	A. Yes. Okay.	10:57:22
23	Q. I'm not going to ask you about that	10:57:24
24	right now.	10:57:27

1 A. Okay. 10:57:28

2 Q. When did you first meet Dr. Wylie? 10:57:30

3 A. On the I think 28th of May at the 10:57:36

4 hearing in New Brunswick. 10:57:45

5 Q. Do you know of Dr. Wylie prior to 10:57:50

6 meeting her in person? 10:57:54

7 A. Yes. 10:57:55

8 Q. What did you know about Dr. Wylie 10:57:57

9 prior to meeting her? 10:57:59

10 A. First, I think she's a famous 10:58:01

11 professor at University of Maryland. Also I had 10:58:07

12 another professor, Mr. Luke Chang. Luke Chang was 10:58:13

13 Ann Wylie's college at the same geology department. 10:58:21

14 So I was friends with friends with Professor Luke 10:58:29

15 Chang. And he talked about Ann Wylie, saying he is 10:58:34

16 working same field. He is mineralogist, very 10:58:41

17 accomplished mineralogist. Also when I was reading 10:58:46

18 literature, I think he publish a paper with Jennifer 10:58:51

19 Verkouteren NIST about amphibole so I was aware of 10:58:55

20 it, aware of her. 10:59:15

21 Q. You had mentioned somebody who is 10:59:18

22 associated with NIST, which is NIST? 10:59:19

23 A. Yeah. 10:59:23

24 Q. Who was that? 10:59:23

1 A. That's Jennifer Verkouteren. She is 10:59:24

2 a researcher at NIST. Also a mineralogist. Okay. 10:59:28

3 Q. Do you know anything about Ann 10:59:34

4 Wylie's affiliation with a trade organization known 10:59:42

5 as The National Stone and Sand Gravel Association? 10:59:46

6 A. No, I don't. 10:59:51

7 Q. Stone Sand and Gravel. I'm sorry. 10:59:52

8 A. No. 10:59:56

9 Q. You don't know anything about her 10:59:56

10 association or affiliation with that group? 10:59:58

11 A. No. Okay. 10:59:59

12 Q. Do you know anything about Ann 11:00:01

13 Wylie's affiliation with a talc mining concerning 11:00:04

14 referred to as Vanderbilt minerals? 11:00:07

15 A. No. 11:00:10

16 Q. Do you know anything at all about the 11:00:10

17 mineralogy of talc located in Upstate New York? 11:00:12

18 A. No. 11:00:17

19 Q. Do you know anything about Ann 11:00:18

20 Wylie's advocacy for reclassifying asbestos articles 11:00:23

21 as non-asbestiform or asbestiform? 11:00:29

22 MR. HYNES: Objection to form. 11:00:34

23 Argumentative. 11:00:36

24 You can answer. 11:00:36

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1 A. No, I don't. 11:00:37

2 Q. Do you know anything about Ann 11:00:38

3 Wylie's testimony to Congress relative to the 1992 11:00:40

4 OSHA regulations -- 11:00:44

5 A. Not at all. 11:00:46

6 MR. HYNES: Let him -- sorry. Let 11:00:48

7 him finish the question. 11:00:50

8 THE WITNESS: Okay. 11:00:52

9 (Exhibit 10 Collection of Correspondence 11:00:52

10 between Su and Dr. Wylie marked for identification.) 11:01:05

11 Q. Exhibit 10 is an email -- it's two 11:01:05

12 pages. It's two emails from you to Dr. Wylie. 11:01:08

13 A. Correct. 11:01:14

14 Q. The first one here was sent June 1st 11:01:15

15 of this year 2024. And there is a series of seven 11:01:17

16 attachments. 11:01:23

17 A. Mm-hmm. Yes. 11:01:25

18 Q. It says [Reading] It was a great 11:01:26

19 pleasure to meet you in person. Here are the 11:01:28

20 matching wavelengths to refractive index or RI 11:01:31

21 conversion tables for Cargille and DRIMMC oils. 11:01:35

22 We will talk about those in a second. 11:01:40

23 Then you attach some of your recent papers, fair? 11:01:43

24 Yes? 11:01:51



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1 A. Yes, yes. 11:01:52

2 Q. You conclude here by saying [Reading] 11:01:53

3 I think the lawyers involved should benefit from a 11:01:55

4 one-day training session with the two of us to 11:01:58

5 ensure they understand the basic chrysotile and talc 11:02:01

6 analysis by polarized light microscopy needed in 11:02:06

7 litigation. Thanks, Shu-Chun. 11:02:11

8 A. Yes. 11:02:15

9 Q. I am going to ask a very pointed 11:02:16

10 question that sounds insulting. I mean it literally 11:02:19

11 but it sounds insulting. I am telling you that up 11:02:22

12 front. 11:02:25

13 A. Okay. 11:02:25

14 Q. What do you know about litigation? 11:02:25

15 MR. HYNES: Objection; vague. 11:02:29

16 Overbroad. 11:02:31

17 A. I think the litigation is the dispute 11:02:33

18 whether there is asbestos mineral, like chrysotile, 11:02:38

19 in the baby powder product. I believe that issue I 11:02:43

20 have been providing my consulting about. That's my 11:02:50

21 understanding. 11:02:58

22 Q. Do you know what experience Dr. Wylie 11:02:58

23 has relative to polarized light microscopy? 11:03:02

24 A. I think I know she was teaching the 11:03:07

1 course in University of Maryland. 11:03:11

2 Q. Have you scheduled this one day 11:03:16

3 training or is this progressed in any way to where 11:03:20

4 you are preparing to conduct a training session for 11:03:23

5 attorneys to teach them information that you think 11:03:28

6 might be important to them? 11:03:32

7 A. No, because Ann Wylie, she was not 11:03:34

8 responsive. Okay. 11:03:38

9 Q. Not responsive in what sense? 11:03:42

10 A. To my suggestion in this email. 11:03:44

11 Q. Do you mean she told you no or do you 11:03:48

12 mean that she just hasn't responded? 11:03:50

13 A. She did not respond to that. He 11:03:54

14 [sic] only replies thank you for my paper. He [sic] 11:03:57

15 never mentioned whether she agree about this 11:04:01

16 training I mentioned. 11:04:07

17 Q. Okay. The response here -- this is 11:04:08

18 the second page -- says [Reading] Thank you, 11:04:12

19 Shu-Chun. I appreciate these very much. Best 11:04:14

20 regards, Ann. 11:04:19

21 A. Mm-hmm. 11:04:21

22 Q. You have to say "yes" or "no." 11:04:22

23 A. Yes. 11:04:24

24 Q. I hate it too. 11:04:24

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1 A. I'm sorry. That's the first time I 11:04:26

2 do this deposition. 11:04:27

3 Q. Of course. It's awful. I know what 11:04:28

4 you meant but. 11:04:32

5 Have you had anymore communications 11:04:37

6 of any kind with Dr. Wylie, spoken or in writing? 11:04:39

7 A. No. 11:04:44

8 Q. All right. So that was it. After 11:04:50

9 her email on June 1st of this year, you have not 11:04:57

10 spoken with Dr. Wylie at all? 11:05:00

11 A. No, not at all. 11:05:03

12 Q. Do you know she gave a deposition in 11:05:08

13 this case, in Kayme Clark's case and in the MDL? 11:05:10

14 Are you aware of that? 11:05:15

15 A. I am aware of that. 11:05:16

16 Q. Did you read it? 11:05:17

17 A. No. 11:05:18

18 Q. You attached to this two documents, 11:05:26

19 which you provided to me. I am going to have them 11:05:31

20 marked here. 11:05:33

21 The first one is going to be 11:06:08

22 Exhibit 11. This is a reference sheet. It's 34 11:06:10

23 pages long. But it's the selection of DRIMMC 11:06:16

24 immersion liquids for asbestos analysis. That's the 11:06:21

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1 Delaware Research Institute For Minerals. 11:06:26

2 A. Material. 11:06:30

3 Q. Do you know what it stands for? 11:06:30

4 A. I think it's Delaware Research 11:06:31

5 Institute of Material -- Mineral and Material 11:06:35

6 Characterization. I find difficult to pronounce 11:06:46

7 that word after my stroke. 11:06:53

8 Q. I'm sorry. I wasn't trying to put 11:06:55

9 you on the spot. 11:06:56

10 A. Okay. 11:06:58

11 (Exhibit 11 DRIMMC Asb RI Conversion Tables 11:06:19

12 34 pages 2022 marked for identification.) 11:07:00

13 Q. DRIMMC and Cargille are two of the 11:07:00

14 companies that manufacture what are referred to as 11:07:04

15 standards or standard oils used for the process of 11:07:07

16 polarized light microscopy, true? 11:07:12

17 A. Yes. 11:07:14

18 Q. What I was going to ask about -- 11:07:15

19 before I do that, Exhibit 12 is the same -- similar 11:07:19

20 document, but it's the Cargille liquids. 11:07:24

21 A. Yes. 11:07:28

22 (Exhibit 12 Cargille Asb RI Conversion 11:07:28

23 Tables 34 pages 2022 marked for identification.) 11:07:29

24 Q. So for both Exhibits 11 and 12, the 11:07:29

1 liquids that are listed as appropriate for 11:07:41  
2 evaluating chrysotile in the gamma direction include 11:07:46  
3 refractive index oils of 1.550 and 1.560? 11:07:52  
4 A. Correct. 11:08:00  
5 Q. Correct. I need to rename this real 11:08:00  
6 quick. 11:08:17  
7 (Exhibit 13 The Dispersion Staining 11:08:22  
8 Technique and Its Application to Measure Refractive 11:08:28  
9 Indices of Nonopaque Materials With Emphasis on 11:08:33  
10 Asbestos Analysis marked for identification.) 11:08:37  
11 Q. Exhibit 13 is a 2022 peer-reviewed 11:08:22  
12 paper that you authored called The Dispersion 11:08:25  
13 Staining Technique and Its Application to Measure 11:08:28  
14 Refractive Indices of Nonopaque Materials With 11:08:31  
15 Emphasis on Asbestos Analysis, correct? 11:08:35  
16 A. Yes, that's my paper. 11:08:38  
17 Q. There is a quotation in this paper 11:08:40  
18 that I know you're familiar with by this point. 11:08:43  
19 A. Yeah. 11:08:46  
20 Q. In the Section 3 that says "Select a 11:08:47  
21 proper refractive index liquid to mount the 11:08:51  
22 samples," there is a statement in here where you 11:08:55  
23 state [Reading] The rule of thumb is to choose a 11:08:58  
24 refractive index liquid as close as possible to the 11:09:02

1 refractive indexes that will be measured. For 11:09:06  
2 example, there are chrysotile minerals whose 11:09:11  
3 refractive indexes are significantly higher than 11:09:14  
4 those of the standard chrysotile from the NIST, 11:09:17  
5 N-I-S-T, SRM 1866 set. In that case, 1.555 or 1.560 11:09:22  
6 instead of 1.550 refractive index liquids should be 11:09:34  
7 used to determine gamma. 11:09:41  
8 Do you see that? 11:09:44  
9 A. Correct. 11:09:44  
10 Q. A couple of questions related to 11:09:44  
11 this: 11:09:48  
12 Chrysotile is a family of minerals 11:09:51  
13 depending on where it comes from may have a 11:09:54  
14 different refractive index than chrysotile from 11:09:58  
15 another place in the world, correct? 11:10:01  
16 A. Correct. 11:10:03  
17 Q. Chrysotile taken from Canada, for 11:10:03  
18 example, may have a different refractive index than 11:10:10  
19 chrysotile taken from somewhere else, correct? 11:10:13  
20 A. Correct. 11:10:16  
21 Q. Chrysotiles refractive indices are 11:10:16  
22 expressed as a range because they're known in nature 11:10:22  
23 to occur in a range, correct? 11:10:24  
24 A. Correct. 11:10:27

1 Q. In your opinion, what is the range of 11:10:35  
2 refractive indexes for chrysotile in the gamma 11:10:40  
3 direction? 11:10:44

4 A. Then I would have to refer to the EPA 11:10:48  
5 documents 600 93 test method. I believe it was 11:10:53  
6 Table 2.2, the listed the range of the 6 asbestos 11:11:07  
7 minerals refract index in that table. Yes, this is 11:11:17  
8 the table. 11:11:25

9 Q. Yes. So this is Exhibit 14. This is 11:11:26  
10 the 1992 [sic] EPA R-93 600 Test Method. 11:11:31

11 (Exhibit 14 1993 EPA R-93 600 Test Method 11:11:40  
12 marked for identification.) 11:11:41

13 Q. In your opinion, the ranges for 11:11:41  
14 chrysotile in gamma, which is the -- under the 11:11:45  
15 refractive indices column. It's the second Greek 11:11:51  
16 letter. 11:11:56

17 A. Yes. 11:11:56

18 Q. Range from 1.517 all the way up to 11:11:57  
19 1.567. 11:12:03

20 A. Yes. 11:12:07

21 Q. Okay. Is this your only reference 11:12:07  
22 point? 11:12:15

23 A. Yes. 11:12:17

24 Q. Okay. Have you ever seen chrysotile 11:12:19

1 with a refractive index above 1.6 in gamma? 11:12:23

2 A. Only the Calidria. It's gamma is 11:12:31

3 1.750 or 1.760 or 1.561. That's my measurement. 11:12:37

4 Q. That's your measurement? 11:12:48

5 A. That's right. Also the reference 11:12:50

6 value in the NVLAP proficient testing. 11:12:53

7 Q. Yeah, you're testifying of Calidria 11:12:59

8 was conducted in June of this year, correct? 11:13:05

9 A. Correct. 11:13:08

10 Q. Is that the first time you've ever 11:13:09

11 analyzed a sample of what you believe to be 11:13:11

12 Calidria? 11:13:13

13 A. Yes, that's the first time I 11:13:15

14 personally analyze it. 11:13:18

15 Q. The origin of the Calidria that you 11:13:20

16 analyzed, it was provided to you by Matt Sanchez, 11:13:24

17 correct? 11:13:29

18 A. Actually, it was Professor Gunter. 11:13:31

19 He sent his sample to Mr. Sanchez and Mr. Sanchez 11:13:38

20 brought that sample to Pittsburgh. I said I want to 11:13:45

21 analyze them. That's SB-210 grade. 11:13:51

22 Q. That's SG? 11:13:56

23 A. SG-210, yeah. 11:13:58

24 Q. The samples that were sent to you -- 11:14:01



1 this will be Exhibit 15. This is a collection of 26 11:14:04  
2 photos. 11:14:07

3 (Exhibit 15 Collection of Containers Sent to 11:14:08  
4 Su marked for identification.) 11:14:08

5 Q. The samples that were sent to you -- 11:14:08  
6 this is not the SG-210 -- but came to you in these 11:14:12  
7 plastic containers of different colors, correct? 11:14:16

8 A. Mm-hmm. 11:14:20

9 Q. I'm sorry. You have to go with "yes" 11:14:21  
10 or "no." 11:14:23

11 A. These are the sample I analyzed in 11:14:24  
12 Pittsburgh. 11:14:29

13 Q. These photographs were produced to us 11:14:32  
14 in a folder that was labeled sent to Su, meaning 11:14:36  
15 that these -- well, I'm inferring -- anybody can 11:14:45  
16 title a folder anything they want. Just from the 11:14:49  
17 title of it, I presume these were sent to you. 11:14:53

18 A. Correct. 11:14:57

19 Q. Were they sent to you in these 11:14:57  
20 containers? 11:15:00

21 A. Yes. I have it. 11:15:01

22 Q. Great. Were they sent to you already 11:15:03  
23 mounted on slides? 11:15:06

24 A. These are the slides I analyzed in 11:15:08

1 Pittsburgh after the completion of the work. I said 11:15:12

2 I want save those slides so please collect them, 11:15:19

3 pack them and send that to me. 11:15:27

4 Q. I am glad that you saved them. But 11:15:29

5 my question was a little bit different. 11:15:31

6 These arrived to you as prepared 11:15:34

7 slides, correct? 11:15:38

8 A. Actually, we prepare -- I prepare 11:15:40

9 some of them in the lab before I analyze them. 11:15:44

10 Q. So, for example, the photograph that 11:15:51

11 we are looking at right here, which is page six of 11:15:53

12 Exhibit 15, that's the photograph that we are 11:15:57

13 looking at. It says SG-210, 1.550. 11:15:59

14 A. Correct. 11:16:05

15 Q. And this is how you received it, 11:16:05

16 correct? It was in this container when you received 11:16:07

17 it? 11:16:10

18 A. Yes. 11:16:11

19 Q. The labeling indicates that this had 11:16:11

20 already been mounted in 1.550 oil, right? 11:16:14

21 A. That was mounted on the day of my 11:16:20

22 analysis. 11:16:27

23 Q. Who did that? 11:16:27

24 A. I believe it's Monica at RJ Lee. 11:16:29

1 Q. Is she a scientist or lab technician? 11:16:38

2 Who is she? 11:16:40

3 A. She is an analyst, she is 11:16:41

4 accomplished analyst. 11:16:43

5 Q. What is purported to be SG-210 here 11:16:50

6 is something that was provided to your understanding 11:16:54

7 from Mickey Gunter to Matt Sanchez to you? 11:16:56

8 A. Correct. Or so I heard Mickey 11:17:02

9 Gunter's SG-210 was provided by Dr. Longo. 11:17:07

10 Q. Okay. So it's your belief that the 11:17:12

11 SG-210 was the same SG-210 that Dr. Longo previously 11:17:15

12 provided to Mickey Gunter? 11:17:20

13 A. Yes, that's my understanding. 11:17:23

14 Q. And you have not looked at Mickey 11:17:26

15 Gunter's analysis of this same material? 11:17:28

16 A. No. 11:17:31

17 Q. Why not? 11:17:31

18 A. You see, I don't think it's necessary 11:17:33

19 for me to look at that. I want look that myself. 11:17:36

20 Q. The refractive index of in Gamma, the 11:17:50

21 highest refractive index that you identified for 11:17:55

22 Calidria -- repeat it again if you can. 11:17:59

23 A. Yeah, the highest refract index, the 11:18:01

24 gamma refract index of the chrysotile I measured. 11:18:05

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1 Q. Numerically -- 11:18:11

2 A. Numerically my results is 1.560 or 11:18:13

3 1.561. 11:18:22

4 Q. Is that something that you consider 11:18:30

5 to be at the higher range of what the refractive 11:18:33

6 index for chrysotile is in the gamma direction? 11:18:37

7 A. Correct. 11:18:41

8 Q. Do you have an opinion or have you 11:19:00

9 ever analyzed the refractive index of chrysotile 11:19:02

10 originating from Vermont? 11:19:07

11 A. No. 11:19:12

12 Q. Let me do a little cleaning up here. 11:19:25

13 All right. I am going to go back to your Exhibit 3 11:19:31

14 for a moment. 11:19:35

15 There is a list of references in 11:19:38

16 Exhibit 3. At page -- it's paginated as page 3. 11:19:41

17 It's page 15 of the pdf. There are two books 11:19:52

18 relevant to asbestos analysis listed here. One of 11:19:57

19 them is 1989 book Introduction to Optical Mineralogy 11:20:00

20 by William Nesse or Nesse. The other one is a book 11:20:05

21 1986 called Optical Mineralogy, 2nd Edition by David 11:20:09

22 Shelley. Do you see that? 11:20:14

23 A. I saw that. 11:20:15

24 Q. Your name is listed on both of these, 11:20:16

1 but you were not a coauthor of either of these 11:20:18

2 books? 11:20:21

3 A. I indicated that was my review. The 11:20:22

4 publisher sent me two books for me to review. 11:20:27

5 Q. Optical Mineralogy, 2nd Edition? 11:20:32

6 A. Yes, yes. 11:20:35

7 Q. This is my only copy. I am going to 11:20:36

8 hand this to you. 11:20:39

9 A. Okay. 11:20:43

10 MR. HYNES: Are you marking chapters 11:20:46

11 or sections? 11:20:49

12 MR. BRALY: I will put it up on the 11:20:50

13 screen of what I am actually marking. 11:20:52

14 Q. I am marking six pages from this 11:21:10

15 book. Optical Mineralogy by David Shelley as 11:21:13

16 Exhibit 16. 11:21:16

17 (Exhibit 16 Optical Mineralogy Six Pages 11:21:17

18 marked for identification.) 11:21:17

19 Q. What I wanted to ask you about is 11:21:17

20 where that blue tab is on the right-hand side of the 11:21:20

21 physical book, do you want to turn to that? 11:21:22

22 A. Yeah, I saw that. 11:21:29

23 Q. There is a section called Mineral 11:21:30

24 Descriptions. This is in Chapter 9. 11:21:32

1 A. Yes. 11:21:36

2 Q. We get to a section here for 11:21:37

3 olivines. There is a chart at page 154 that lists 11:21:44

4 forsterite, chrysotile and other minerals associated 11:21:53

5 with olivines where the gamma direction, the 11:21:57

6 refractive index for chrysotile is reflected as 11:22:02

7 ranging between 1.69 and 1.70. Do you see that? 11:22:06

8 A. You mean which paragraph? 11:22:21

9 Q. I am looking at the chart. Figure 11:22:23

10 9.1. 11:22:27

11 A. The chart, that is olivine, that is 11:22:28

12 not chrysotile. 11:22:31

13 Q. The section below it says chrysotile. 11:22:32

14 Do you see that? 11:22:37

15 A. Which section? 11:22:38

16 Q. Do you mind if I point it to you? 11:22:40

17 A. Okay. 11:22:42

18 Q. I will come to you. I am trying to 11:22:43

19 figure out if I am looking at this correctly. Part 11:22:47

20 of this is just educating me. See it says 11:22:50

21 chrysotile right there. Follow the line up for 11:22:53

22 gamma and it intersects at 1.69 and runs to 1.70. 11:22:55

23 A. No, that is not the chrysotile 11:23:02

24 refract index. 11:23:05

1 Q. Okay. What is it? 11:23:07

2 A. It is olivine. Olivine number is 11:23:11

3 forsterite, the other end member is fayalite. These 11:23:20

4 are the two end members in mineralogy, like a 11:23:24

5 mineral series. Okay. That all about olivine. 11:23:29

6 It's a mineral. 11:23:40

7 Q. Could I grab that back from you? 11:23:50

8 A. Yeah. 11:23:54

9 Q. So it is your testimony then that the 11:24:07

10 chrysotile referenced here is not the same 11:24:09

11 chrysotile as what would be in a family like 11:24:12

12 serpentine; is that right? 11:24:18

13 A. Correct. 11:24:19

14 MR. HYNES: Objection. Misstates 11:24:20

15 testimony. 11:24:22

16 Q. So the objection kind of through me 11:24:23

17 off. I want to make sure we are in agreement here. 11:24:27

18 What is -- when it's referencing 11:24:31

19 chrysotile, what is that a reference to in this 11:24:35

20 context? 11:24:40

21 A. I don't know. I don't know why he 11:24:41

22 put the chrysotile words in this graph. I have no 11:24:44

23 idea. 11:24:52

24 Q. Do you know what? I do. I am saying 11:24:55

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1 it wrong. I'm saying it wrong. Okay. I think I 11:24:59  
2 can resolve this. I'm just now realizing -- keep in 11:25:07  
3 mind I got this book yesterday -- it doesn't say 11:25:11  
4 chrysotile. It says chrysolite. 11:25:14  
5 A. Okay. It's not chrysotile. 11:25:21  
6 Q. That actually explains what I was 11:25:25  
7 getting at then. That helps me intensely. That is 11:25:27  
8 chrysolite. 11:25:33  
9 This will be Exhibit 17. This is the 11:25:40  
10 same book, just some additional pages. 11:26:23  
11 (Exhibit 17 Optical Mineralogy 12 Pages 11:26:27  
12 marked for identification.) 11:26:27  
13 Q. We looked at that section. I am 11:26:27  
14 going to give you the book back. There is another 11:26:30  
15 section that begins at page 229. Right here. 11:26:32  
16 A. Okay. 11:26:41  
17 Q. This book that you referenced states 11:26:41  
18 that there are three varieties of serpentines, 11:26:51  
19 chrysotile this time exactly spelled chrysotile -- 11:26:54  
20 not chrysolite -- lizardite and antigorite? 11:26:57  
21 A. Correct. 11:27:02  
22 Q. We are talking about the things that 11:27:03  
23 are generally referred to when we are talking about 11:27:04  
24 asbestos at least for chrysotile. 11:27:07



1 A. Okay. 11:27:10

2 Q. Right? 11:27:10

3 A. Yes. 11:27:11

4 Q. Yeah. For the properties for the 11:27:11

5 optical properties, it says that in gamma that these 11:27:15

6 minerals can range from 1.545 all the way to 1.584. 11:27:20

7 Do you see that? 11:27:26

8 A. Yes. I saw that. 11:27:26

9 Q. And that the birefringences 11:27:28

10 associated with these falls between .004 to .017. 11:27:31

11 Do you see that? 11:27:38

12 A. Correct. 11:27:38

13 Q. And that there is an inverse 11:27:38

14 relationship between refractive index and 11:27:40

15 birefringence values? 11:27:46

16 A. Correct. 11:27:50

17 Q. Okay. You can hand that one back. 11:27:50

18 MR. BRALY: Kevin, what's your 11:28:10

19 pleasure here as far as -- oh, don't want that. 11:28:11

20 MR. HYNES: Do you want to go another 11:28:14

21 15, 20 and maybe break? 11:28:16

22 MR. BRALY: Sure. Sounds good. I 11:28:20

23 have an outline and I have already kind of screwed 11:28:46

24 it all up. I am going to try to pick up where I am 11:28:48

1 and see if we can cover some more ground. 11:28:53

2 BY MR. BRALY: 11:28:53

3 Q. In your report, in the report that's 11:28:57

4 in front of you, Exhibit 3, you don't comment on -- 11:28:59

5 or you don't critique the birefringence calculations 11:29:05

6 that Dr. Longo performed relative to the minerals 11:29:10

7 that he was examination, correct? 11:29:14

8 A. Correct. 11:29:16

9 Q. Why not? 11:29:17

10 A. For me, birefringence is not an 11:29:19

11 issue. Gamma is. Once you get alpha and a gamma 11:29:25

12 correctly, you got birefringence. So actually we 11:29:30

13 don't think birefringence is a specific property you 11:29:36

14 have to measure independently. You measure the 11:29:45

15 gamma and the alpha that birefringence is 11:29:49

16 automatically. Therefore, you don't have to 11:29:54

17 calculate that, because it was defined as the gamma 11:29:59

18 minus alpha. 11:30:04

19 Q. Right, which is exactly how Dr. Longo 11:30:05

20 calculated birefringence, is by taking the gamma 11:30:07

21 value less the alpha value. 11:30:11

22 MR. HYNES: Objection. 11:30:14

23 A. Yes. 11:30:15

24 MR. HYNES: Misstates Dr. Longo's 11:30:16

1 methodology. 11:30:19

2 MR. BRALY: Not really. 11:30:20

3 BY MR. BRALY: 11:30:20

4 Q. You were present for Dr. Longo's 11:30:20

5 testimony as to how he calculated birefringence, 11:30:22

6 correct? 11:30:27

7 A. Yes, I did. 11:30:27

8 Q. Did you agree with how he calculated 11:30:28

9 birefringence values? Was it scientifically 11:30:30

10 accurate in your opinion? 11:30:33

11 MR. HYNES: Objection to form. 11:30:34

12 Vague. 11:30:36

13 A. There are two aspects. The formula 11:30:36

14 of birefringence, that's one issue, gamma minus 11:30:43

15 alpha. Another issue is the gamma value, whether 11:30:49

16 the gamma value is chrysotile or talc. 11:30:56

17 Q. Yeah. 11:31:03

18 A. You see? 11:31:05

19 Q. Understood. Let me be as fair to 11:31:06

20 this as I can be. I understand that you do not 11:31:09

21 agree with Dr. Longo's values in the gamma direction 11:31:13

22 for what he is identifying as chrysotile. I 11:31:18

23 understand that you don't agree with that. 11:31:22

24 Presuming the values are correct, did 11:31:24

1 he perform the calculation in a scientifically 11:31:28

2 reliable way for calculating birefringence? 11:31:33

3 MR. HYNES: Same objection. Vague, 11:31:36

4 overbroad. 11:31:39

5 A. I don't think it's meaningless if you 11:31:40

6 don't have the correct gamma and alpha. That's the 11:31:42

7 key. Okay. 11:31:47

8 Q. Okay. Do you agree that subtracting 11:31:49

9 the maximum gamma less the maximum alpha and the 11:31:53

10 minimum gamma minus the minimum alpha will give you 11:31:59

11 a range of birefringence? 11:32:02

12 A. I disagree. 11:32:05

13 Q. You do. Why? 11:32:06

14 A. The concept maximum gamma, minimum 11:32:08

15 alpha is a confused concept. You see, when we talk 11:32:14

16 of maximum and a minimum, it's not about single 11:32:22

17 particle. It's about a group, like chrysotile. You 11:32:29

18 have location for Vermont, from Canada, from 11:32:34

19 Arizona, from California. Okay. 11:32:41

20 Then if we talk alpha. Again, it's a 11:32:44

21 group of mineral, not individual. For any 11:32:50

22 individual mineral chrysotile, you have only one 11:32:55

23 value of birefringence. You have only one gamma and 11:33:01

24 one alpha. Here is the problem, because I believe 11:33:07

1 and also the data showed they misinterpreted the 11:33:15  
2 dispersion staining color. They think a mineral 11:33:20  
3 particle display a range of dispersion staining 11:33:25  
4 color for its parallel direction with the gamma or 11:33:31  
5 so for its perpendicular direction which is alpha. 11:33:35  
6 They interpret that as a range of recur [ph] index. 11:33:40  
7 This is totally wrong. 11:33:46

8 Q. I feel we are talking about two 11:33:49  
9 different things. One of them what I do understand 11:33:50  
10 to be a criticism of yours about their findings, 11:33:54  
11 multiple refractive indices within a singular 11:33:58  
12 bundle, which is what I think you're talking about. 11:34:02

13 A. Yes. 11:34:05

14 Q. I am asking about something a little 11:34:05  
15 bit more discreet. 11:34:08

16 Back to Exhibit 14 this is the EPA 11:34:10  
17 493 we see a range of birefringence reported as 11:34:13  
18 between .004 to .017 for chrysotile. 11:34:17

19 A. Correct. 11:34:23

20 Q. And that's the same range of 11:34:23  
21 birefringence -- 11:34:25

22 A. In the book. 11:34:27

23 Q. -- in the book, right? 11:34:28

24 A. Yes. 11:34:29

1 Q. Okay. So it is fair to say that the 11:34:30  
2 birefringence values associated with chrysotile fall 11:34:34  
3 between .004 and .017? 11:34:40

4 A. Correct. 11:34:44

5 Q. All right. And birefringence by the 11:34:45  
6 way is a unit list number. It has -- it doesn't 11:34:47  
7 have units? 11:34:50

8 A. No. 11:34:51

9 Q. The birefringence associated with 11:34:55  
10 talc is generally higher than this? 11:34:58

11 A. Much higher. 11:35:00

12 Q. Give me a range of the birefringence 11:35:02  
13 you associate with talc. It may be here actually. 11:35:06

14 A. I think the best literature is Dr. 11:35:12  
15 Gunter's on 2022 paper. He was the first who 11:35:17  
16 measured 20 talc from different localities where he 11:35:25  
17 can collect the sample. So he listed a range for 11:35:32  
18 each talc, you have alpha, now you have a gamma. 11:35:38  
19 But the average alpha I believe is around 1.50 -- 11:35:43  
20 1.540. The average of gamma in his paper is 1.85, 11:35:53  
21 if I remember correctly. So the difference between 11:36:01  
22 gamma and alpha on the average for talc is somewhere 11:36:07  
23 under .045. That we talk about that the range of 11:36:15  
24 the birefringence about chrysotile an EPA method. 11:36:23

1 But for each individual samples, they have 11:36:31  
2 individual value of the birefringence. 11:36:36

3 Q. I understand what you're saying. If 11:36:40  
4 your evaluating a singular fiber of chrysotile and 11:36:43  
5 you're calculating the refractive index for that 11:36:47  
6 fiber, you can get a singular measurement for gamma 11:36:50  
7 and alpha and calculate a singular birefringence 11:36:53  
8 value? 11:36:58

9 A. That's correct. 11:36:59

10 Q. For something like what's present 11:37:00  
11 here in Exhibit 14 -- again, this is page 26 of 11:37:02  
12 Exhibit 14. This is EPA R-93. When you're dealing 11:37:07  
13 with a range of multiple fibers or multiple 11:37:14  
14 measurements, you can get a range of birefringences? 11:37:19

15 A. Correct. 11:37:24

16 Q. Mathematically, when you have ranges 11:37:24  
17 like this, you would calculate the range of 11:37:28  
18 birefringence in this case like what we see on the 11:37:31  
19 page here, by taking the maximum high end and the 11:37:36  
20 maximum -- high end of gamma, subtracted by the high 11:37:40  
21 end of alpha, and the low end of gamma subtracted by 11:37:44  
22 the low end of alpha as they did in this example? 11:37:47

23 A. Yes. 11:37:51

24 Q. Okay. The range for birefringence -- 11:37:52

1 by the way, you agree with that, right, when you're 11:37:59  
2 dealing with ranges? 11:38:03  
3 A. Agree. 11:38:04  
4 Q. Yes. Good. When you're dealing with 11:38:04  
5 birefringence for chrysotile, you will get numbers 11:38:07  
6 that range from .004 up until around .017? 11:38:10  
7 A. Correct. 11:38:17  
8 Q. Understanding that any individual 11:38:17  
9 fiber or bundle will have its own discrete 11:38:20  
10 birefringence value? 11:38:23  
11 A. Between these two values. 11:38:24  
12 Q. Right. I apologize. I was probably 11:38:26  
13 doing too many things at one time. For talc, what 11:38:30  
14 is the range of birefringence that you associated 11:38:34  
15 with talc? 11:38:37  
16 A. I will referred to that table. It's 11:38:40  
17 somewhere I think between .04 to .05. 11:38:45  
18 Q. Okay. So somewhere around four to 11:38:51  
19 five times higher? 11:38:54  
20 A. Yeah, that's about 10 times higher 11:38:55  
21 than the chrysotile. 11:38:58  
22 Q. I have a section that I want to cover 11:39:26  
23 and I think it will be probably be time for lunch, 11:39:29  
24 okay? 11:39:32



1 A. Yes. 11:39:32

2 Q. Your opinion about Dr. Longo's 11:39:33

3 finding of chrysotile in Johnson & Johnson's talc is 11:39:41

4 that what he's reporting as chrysotile is not 11:39:45

5 chrysotile? 11:39:48

6 A. No. 11:39:48

7 Q. Okay. I mean that is your opinion, 11:39:49

8 correct? 11:39:51

9 A. That's right. 11:39:52

10 Q. Yes. Okay. Are you aware or have 11:39:52

11 you been told that Dr. Longo is not the only 11:39:58

12 scientist who has found chrysotile in Johnson & 11:40:02

13 Johnson's powder? 11:40:05

14 A. I was aware I think there is a -- now 11:40:08

15 which agency is that? EPA or -- 11:40:16

16 Q. FDA. 11:40:20

17 A. FDA. Yeah. I know it was sample 11:40:21

18 analyze by a lab in Maryland. Okay. I have been to 11:40:25

19 that lab. I was aware they found asbestos in the 11:40:30

20 sample. 11:40:35

21 Q. You're talking about the AMA? 11:40:36

22 A. AMA. 11:40:38

23 Q. Yeah. Were you aware of this prior 11:40:39

24 to being retained by Johnson & Johnson as an expert? 11:40:43

1           A.           I never look into that before my           11:40:49  
2           involvement, but after I was retained as an expert           11:40:54  
3           witness, I was reading literature, then I came up to           11:41:02  
4           that AMA. It's appendix for the FDA kind of report,           11:41:09  
5           yeah.           11:41:17

6           Q.           Is this literature that was provided           11:41:20  
7           to you by Mr. Hynes?           11:41:21

8           A.           No. That's -- I was -- I was           11:41:23  
9           review -- looking the literature related to this           11:41:29  
10          topic.           11:41:32

11          Q.           I could be wrong about this, but I           11:41:34  
12          don't know if the AMA results were ever published in           11:41:38  
13          the peer-reviewed literature. It may have been --           11:41:42

14          A.           It's on the internet.           11:41:44

15          Q.           So you were just doing basically a           11:41:45  
16          Google search about --           11:41:47

17          A.           That's right.           11:41:49

18          Q.           Got you. You came across the AMA           11:41:49  
19          findings from a couple years ago?           11:41:52

20          A.           No. This year.           11:41:56

21          Q.           No, no, no. Their findings were from           11:41:58  
22          a couple years ago?           11:42:01

23          A.           Yes.           11:42:02

24          Q.           I'm sorry. That was confusing.           11:42:03

1 That's something that you discovered after you 11:42:05  
2 became an expert -- or after you agreed to serve as 11:42:07  
3 an expert witness? 11:42:12

4 A. Correct. 11:42:13

5 Q. That was part of your review that 11:42:13  
6 accounted for some of that billing that we looked at 11:42:15  
7 before? 11:42:17

8 A. Yes. 11:42:18

9 Q. Right. Are you aware that McCrone, 11:42:18  
10 as a hired lab for Johnson & Johnson, found 11:42:24  
11 chrysotile in Johnson & Johnson's Baby Powder? 11:42:27

12 A. That, I am not aware. 11:42:32

13 Q. Are you aware that the Colorado 11:42:34  
14 School of Mines found chrysotile in Johnson & 11:42:37  
15 Johnson's Baby Powder? 11:42:41

16 A. That literature I read. I was aware. 11:42:41

17 Q. Are you aware that NIOSH, the 11:42:46  
18 National Institution of Occupational Safety and 11:42:49  
19 Health, through a series of contractors found 11:42:52  
20 chrysotile in Johnson & Johnson's Baby Powder? 11:42:55

21 A. No, I don't. 11:42:57

22 Q. Are you aware that Art Langer found 11:42:58  
23 chrysotile in Johnson & Johnson's Baby Powder? 11:43:00

24 A. No. 11:43:03

1 Q. Are you aware that RJ Lee found 11:43:03

2 chrysotile in Johnson & Johnson's Baby Powder? 11:43:06

3 A. No. 11:43:09

4 Q. You didn't know that? 11:43:09

5 A. No. 11:43:10

6 Q. They didn't tell you that? 11:43:10

7 A. No. 11:43:11

8 Q. Didn't bother to mention it to you 11:43:12

9 while you're looking at all these things? 11:43:14

10 A. I did come across. I did Google 11:43:16

11 search. I did not come up with any document saying 11:43:20

12 RJ Lee has found the, like you said, the asbestos in 11:43:25

13 baby powder. No, I don't. 11:43:31

14 Q. You understand that Bryan Bandli and 11:43:33

15 Matt Sanchez, they work for RJ Lee? 11:43:37

16 A. I do. They never told me. 11:43:40

17 Q. Right. Are you aware that Johnson & 11:43:42

18 Johnson's suppliers, including supplier generally 11:43:48

19 referred to as Imerys or Rio Tinto found chrysotile 11:43:52

20 in the supply for baby powder? 11:43:56

21 A. No, I am not aware. 11:44:02

22 MR. BRALY: Kevin, this is a good a 11:44:23

23 time as any. 11:44:25

24 MR. HYNES: Should we break for lunch 11:44:26

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1           here?

11:44:28

2                           MR. BRALY:    Yes.

11:44:29

3                           (A luncheon recess was taken.)

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1 AFTERNOON SESSION 12:25:18

2 12:28:11

3 BY MR. BRALY: 12:28:11

4 Q. Welcome back from lunch. 12:28:18

5 A. Thanks. 12:28:21

6 Q. I hope that was -- you had a nice 12:28:21

7 break. And just keep in mind that you need to -- if 12:28:23

8 you want to take a break or something, just to 12:28:28

9 stretch -- 12:28:32

10 A. I will let you know. 12:28:32

11 Q. Please do. 12:28:33

12 A. So far, I'm okay. 12:28:34

13 Q. Great. We had looked at what's -- 12:28:36

14 should be on your screen right here about samples, 12:28:40

15 26 pages of samples that came from a folder that was 12:28:45

16 labeled "Sent to Su." That includes all of these 12:28:49

17 similar-looking containers with different labels on 12:28:54

18 them. For example, the second page of this says 12:28:58

19 .560 HD Valadez with and it gives a number M12001 12:29:02

20 CTL? 12:29:11

21 Were all of these containers provided 12:29:11

22 to you by Matt Sanchez? 12:29:15

23 A. Yes. Again, these are the samples I 12:29:18

24 analyzed. 12:29:25

1 Q. Yes. These are all part of the 12:29:25  
2 samples that you analyzed in June with Matt Sanchez 12:29:28  
3 and Bryan Bandli? 12:29:31

4 A. Correct. 12:29:32

5 Q. And then you've provided those 12:29:33  
6 samples to us in the materials provided prior to 12:29:37  
7 this deposition? 12:29:41

8 A. Say again. 12:29:43

9 Q. All of your images from the samples 12:29:44  
10 were provided? 12:29:49

11 A. Yes. 12:29:49

12 Q. Yeah. So I was going to ask you 12:29:50  
13 about some of these. Some of these samples involve 12:29:53  
14 what is purported to be SG-210 mounted in 1.550 oil. 12:29:57  
15 There is another one in 1.560. 12:30:06

16 A. Correct. 12:30:10

17 Q. So I have some of these images. I 12:30:10  
18 wanted to mark those images as exhibits as we go 12:30:14  
19 forward here. I am going to start with -- if I can 12:30:18  
20 get this to work -- what is going to be Exhibit 18. 12:30:20

21 (Exhibit 18 Sample CDCS 1.550 with SG-210 12:30:24  
22 Alpha marked for identification.) 12:30:37

23 Q. Exhibit 18 is a single photo that's 12:30:25  
24 marked as a number followed by CDCS 1.550 with 12:30:28

1 SG-210 alpha. 12:30:36

2 A. Correct. 12:30:39

3 Q. So this is a photo of that SG-210 in 12:30:39

4 the alpha direction or the perpendicular direction 12:30:46

5 under polarized light, correct? 12:30:50

6 A. Correct. 12:30:52

7 Q. In 1.550 refractive index liquid? 12:30:53

8 A. The number preceding that, 3183377, 12:30:58

9 indicates that is Valadez talc baby powder. That 12:31:03

10 baby powder was spiked with SG-210 I look at that 12:31:10

11 sample. 12:31:16

12 Q. Are you sure about that? 12:31:19

13 A. Yes, I'm sure. 12:31:20

14 Q. Okay. So this is not an analysis of 12:31:34

15 just straight unadulterated SG-210. This is a 12:31:40

16 spiked sample of the Valadez baby powder? 12:31:45

17 A. Correct. 12:31:48

18 Q. Okay. This might be a dumb question, 12:31:49

19 but how do you know what we are looking at is the 12:31:56

20 SG-210? 12:31:58

21 A. Because it was prepared with the 12:32:00

22 SG-210 first provided by Dr. Longo to Professor 12:32:04

23 Gunter, then from Gunter to Mr. Sanchez, then Mr. 12:32:11

24 Sanchez brought that sample. 12:32:17



1 Q. I guess what I am asking is, how do 12:32:20  
2 you know that what you're looking at isn't asbestos 12:32:22  
3 that was in the Johnson's Baby Powder absent the 12:32:26  
4 spiking? 12:32:30

5 A. Because the optical property 12:32:30  
6 indicates the SG-210 shows a blue central stop 12:32:33  
7 disbursing staining color along its gamma direction 12:32:44  
8 but lighter than the blue in the gamma direction. 12:32:49

9 Q. You said gamma twice. 12:32:54

10 A. No, alpha versus gamma. Alpha is 12:32:57  
11 slight lighter. Gamma is deeper blue. 12:33:01

12 Q. Isn't that also true for just 12:33:04  
13 chrysotile? 12:33:06

14 A. No. The 1866, chrysotile, the 12:33:09  
15 distinction between 1866 chrysotile versus the 12:33:20  
16 Calidria SG-210 is the gamma direction. I have the 12:33:27  
17 micrograph showing that it's magenta in color. 12:33:33

18 Q. I don't think 1866 has ever been 12:33:39  
19 reported to be present in Johnson's Baby Powder. 12:33:43  
20 1866 is a Canadian chrysolite. 12:33:50

21 A. No, but I said they are spiked 12:33:50  
22 sample. They purposely put the 1866 to spike the 12:33:53  
23 Valadez baby powder. 12:34:00

24 Q. I suppose my question remains, is, 12:34:05

1       how do you know that what you're looking at is one       12:34:10  
2       of the spike fibers and not asbestos that was       12:34:13  
3       present in the Valadez baby powder?       12:34:15

4               A.       Because I examine the Valadez sample,       12:34:19  
5       pure nonspiked. I did not find any chrysotile       12:34:25  
6       structure.       12:34:38

7               Q.       Do you -- so this image -- and this       12:34:39  
8       is -- I will just do this:       12:34:47

9                       Let me put up the next image here,       12:34:50  
10       which is going to be Exhibit 19.       12:34:53

11                      (Exhibit 19 Sample CDCS 1.550 with SG-210       12:34:57  
12       Gamma marked for identification.)       12:34:58

13               Q.       This is the same sample in the gamma       12:34:58  
14       direction, correct?       12:35:01

15               A.       Yes.       12:35:04

16               Q.       Okay. Again, in 1.550 refractive       12:35:06  
17       index oil?       12:35:10

18               A.       Yes.       12:35:11

19               Q.       So when you're evaluating the color       12:35:12  
20       of this sample, is it your opinion that this color       12:35:19  
21       is uniform throughout this image?       12:35:27

22               A.       Uniform for what?       12:35:30

23               Q.       From the edge to the center.       12:35:35

24               A.       No.       12:35:37

1 Q. Okay. When using color to identify a 12:35:38  
2 central stop dispersion staining reference, where is 12:35:44  
3 the appropriate location on a particle in the gamma 12:35:54  
4 direction to identify the representative color? 12:35:59

5 A. I am glad you bring this up. That I 12:36:03  
6 want to explain. A structure of a mineral like here 12:36:06  
7 is a chrysotile. It's a fibrous, fiber bundle. 12:36:16  
8 It's consistent with the fiber oils. 12:36:25

9 Now, the interface between those 12:36:29  
10 fibers will affect the dispersion staining color. 12:36:33  
11 Therefore, I think we need to differentiate between 12:36:40  
12 the true central stop dispersion staining color 12:36:47  
13 which is representative the true refract index of 12:36:54  
14 the structure versus those central stop 12:36:59  
15 dispersion -- what I call distorted color. Those 12:37:05  
16 color is not indicative of the gamma value of the 12:37:09  
17 fiber. What I am saying is, even it display a range 12:37:15  
18 of color, different color doesn't mean it is a range 12:37:26  
19 of refract index. Same is true for 1866 photograph. 12:37:30  
20 They show a range of the dispersion staining color, 12:37:38  
21 which was interpreted by Dr. Longo as the variation 12:37:44  
22 of refract index of the 1866, which is incorrect, 12:37:49  
23 because 1866 has a constant value of 1.556 for the 12:37:56  
24 gamma direction. Those color which does not 12:38:07

1 correspond to 1.556, they are distorted due to the 12:38:14  
2 interface condition between fibers. I have graphic 12:38:21  
3 to explain the formation of the distorted color. 12:38:29

4 Q. I believe it's one of your slides? 12:38:37

5 A. Yeah. 12:38:39

6 Q. I've seen it. It's not what I am 12:38:40  
7 asking you about here. Let's look at Exhibit 19 12:38:43  
8 here. I have tried to enlarge it a little bit. 12:38:46

9 The fiber, this item that you could 12:38:52  
10 see in the horizontal direction here in the center 12:38:56  
11 of this, if you look at it in the center, there is 12:39:00  
12 some golden color, there is some reddish color. On 12:39:03  
13 the edges it's kind of purplish. 12:39:06

14 When you're -- when you're evaluating 12:39:11  
15 what color corresponds to the chart, where do you 12:39:16  
16 select the color? On the edges? On the center of 12:39:23  
17 the structure? What color do you use when there's 12:39:26  
18 multiple colors in a sample like Exhibit 19? 12:39:30

19 A. Yes. Now, in order to determine 12:39:35  
20 which color to be used to derive the refract index 12:39:43  
21 of this fiber, first you will have to determine 12:39:52  
22 which is the true, I call it true central stop 12:39:57  
23 dispersion staining color. The way to distinguish 12:40:02  
24 them -- see, this is a McCrone dispersion staining 12:40:07

1 objective. It has a three setting. One is central 12:40:12  
2 stop. One is annular stop. Another is just -- 12:40:18  
3 there is no stop. So in this case when you are in 12:40:26  
4 doubt which color is the right one to use, you 12:40:33  
5 switch that to the no stop and you close the 12:40:39  
6 aperture diaphragm to examine the Becke line. 12:40:46

7 Q. I was going to talk about Becke lines 12:40:50  
8 later. Becke line analysis is a different form of 12:40:54  
9 analysis than phase contrast microscopy, correct? 12:40:58

10 MR. HYNES: Objection to the form. 12:41:02

11 A. Not phase contrast. There are four 12:41:04  
12 method measuring refract index in polarized light 12:41:08  
13 microscope. The traditional, the foremost one is 12:41:15  
14 Becke line. Later on, there is another method 12:41:21  
15 called oblique elimination. However, oblique 12:41:26  
16 elimination method is only used for screening 12:41:33  
17 purpose to see my liquid is too high or too low 12:41:38  
18 until you got the liquid closer to the object, the 12:41:46  
19 structure you are measuring. Then you do the Becke 12:41:52  
20 line. Becke line is the most accurate method. 12:41:58

21 Now, later for the asbestos industry, 12:42:03  
22 since it's a commercial operation, it's not a 12:42:08  
23 research, they can't afford to spend too much time 12:42:12  
24 on a sample. So Becke line -- because Becke line 12:42:19

1           you have to change the liquid. You put a liquid.           12:42:23

2           You find it's higher than the structure. Now you           12:42:28

3           prepare another sample, use a lower liquid until           12:42:34

4           they got the match. So it's cumbersome. It's           12:42:40

5           time-consuming. It's not for the commercial           12:42:45

6           operation.           12:42:48

7                           Then the third method is the           12:42:49

8           dispersion staining.           12:42:54

9                   Q.           Did you perform a Becke line analysis   12:42:57

10          of this particle?           12:43:00

11                  A.           I did.           12:43:02

12                  Q.           Is that part of your Becke line           12:43:02

13          folder?           12:43:05

14                  A.           Not -- which folder --           12:43:06

15                  Q.           I'm sorry. I shouldn't have thrown   12:43:10

16          that at you. Is that part of the materials that you   12:43:11

17          produced?           12:43:15

18                  A.           Actually, I think in the folder of   12:43:15

19          the glass, I want use the glass, the Cargille glass   12:43:18

20          in 1.55 and 1.560. That folder, I want use the   12:43:26

21          glass to show what it distorted central stop           12:43:35

22          dispersion staining color versus the Becke line.   12:43:40

23          And how do you use Becke line to --           12:43:45

24                  Q.           I see, I see that folder. I can talk   12:43:50

1 to you about it later. 12:43:55

2 I am asking specifically with this 12:43:56

3 SG-210 fiber, did you specifically do a Becke line 12:43:58

4 analysis of this? 12:44:02

5 A. Yes, I did. 12:44:04

6 Q. Is that included in the photos that I 12:44:05

7 have? I don't know that I have seen that. 12:44:08

8 A. I did not take the picture, because 12:44:10

9 it just flip to switch, then you observe. Which is 12:44:13

10 automatic kind of operation for me. See, I keep 12:44:27

11 switching between the central stop and Becke line. 12:44:31

12 Q. Okay. So for this particular fiber, 12:44:37

13 which color is the color that is the right color in 12:44:45

14 comparison to the CDCS chart -- CSDS? 12:44:49

15 A. That is the color corresponding to 12:44:56

16 the 1.560 refract index. 12:45:01

17 Q. What color is that? We have, we have 12:45:06

18 a golden, we have a reddish, we have purple, we have 12:45:12

19 a little bit of blue in there. What color is the 12:45:15

20 color that you're then comparing to the CSDS chart? 12:45:19

21 A. I believe reddish purple. 12:45:25

22 Q. Okay. So for this fiber that's 12:45:29

23 Exhibit 19, you're identifying that as corresponding 12:45:33

24 with reddish purple? 12:45:38

1 A. Correct. 12:45:39

2 Q. Okay. There is no -- there is no 12:45:40

3 scale bar for this photograph, correct? 12:45:59

4 A. In this image, it doesn't, but I took 12:46:03

5 a series image with the scale bar. There is one 12:46:09

6 sample I prepare the sample on a micrometer. So 12:46:14

7 it's superimposed on the micrometer to show the 12:46:24

8 scale of the particle size, which in the photo 12:46:30

9 probably was named micrometer or something like 12:46:34

10 that. 12:46:38

11 Q. So there is -- I am going to show an 12:46:47

12 image here and ask you if this is the image that 12:47:07

13 corresponds with that one. 12:47:10

14 A. Yes. See the background, this is a 12:47:12

15 sample prepared on the surface of the micrometer. 12:47:16

16 Q. What I am asking is, is the image we 12:47:22

17 are looking at -- I am mark this next one as 12:47:25

18 Exhibit 20. 12:47:27

19 (Exhibit 20 Micrometer 3183377 at Focus 12:47:27

20 1.550 Talc Particle marked for identification.) 12:47:28

21 Q. Is this the same image as Exhibit 19? 12:47:28

22 A. No. 12:47:32

23 Q. No? 12:47:33

24 A. But I am sure we will find an image 12:48:02



1 of the micrometer image with the gamma value, gamma 12:48:05  
2 dispersion staining color in central stop dispersion 12:48:13  
3 mode. 12:48:22

4 Q. Okay. We will look at what we are 12:48:22  
5 going to mark as Exhibit 21. 12:48:25

6 A. Yes. This is the corresponding 12:48:28  
7 central stop dispersion staining image. 12:48:31

8 (Exhibit 21 Micrometer 318337 CSDS 1.550 12:49:07  
9 talc particle gamma marked for identification.) 12:49:14

10 Q. Okay. Let me do this: Okay. So 12:48:36  
11 this image that we are looking at, which is 12:49:02  
12 Exhibit 21, is entitled "Micrometer 318337 CSDS 12:49:05  
13 1.550 talc particle gamma" and this image is what 12:49:13  
14 you were saying is the same image as Exhibit 19? 12:49:20

15 A. No. This is -- wait a second. You 12:49:24  
16 mean this? I think you show a Becke line image. 12:49:30  
17 That is the same of this. Not the one without 12:49:38  
18 micrometer. No. This is not. 12:49:43

19 Q. Not this one? 12:49:46

20 MR. HYNES: Exhibit 20. 12:49:47

21 MR. BRALY: Exhibit 20 he already 12:49:51  
22 told me wasn't. 12:49:52

23 A. This is not. Whenever there is no 12:49:53  
24 micrometer in the file name, it is not a sample 12:49:59

1 prepared on the micrometer. 12:50:04

2 MR. HYNES: Show Exhibit 20. 21 and 12:50:10

3 20 I think relate to one another. 12:50:13

4 MR. BRALY: They both come from the 12:50:16

5 micrometer folder. 12:50:18

6 BY MR. BRALY: 12:50:19

7 Q. This is Exhibit 20. This is 12:50:19

8 Exhibit 21. Did you superimpose a micrometer over 12:50:23

9 Dr. Longo's findings? 12:50:31

10 A. No. This sample I prepared by 12:50:33

11 sprinkle the baby powder on the micrometer slide 12:50:40

12 instead a regular blank slide because I want the 12:50:49

13 micrometer image showing same time in the field of 12:50:55

14 view. 12:51:01

15 Q. The particle that we are looking at 12:51:01

16 in Exhibit 21, right here, that's golden. Looks 12:51:03

17 like there might be some greenish lineation and some 12:51:11

18 reddish on the outside, what is that? 12:51:16

19 A. These are the distorted dispersion 12:51:20

20 staining color of the talc elongated talc particle. 12:51:25

21 Q. So that's talc? 12:51:31

22 A. This is talc. 12:51:32

23 Q. Okay. And this is a sample that you 12:51:34

24 prepared? 12:51:38

1 A. Correct. 12:51:38

2 Q. Okay. Going back to what my question 12:51:39

3 had been, for Exhibit 19, you do not have a scale 12:51:43

4 bar for this photograph, correct? 12:51:49

5 A. Because I am taking the same 12:51:51

6 objective, does that scale bar applicable to this. 12:51:57

7 When I -- if I process image, I will type the nature 12:52:04

8 of the sample and also I will put the scale bar on 12:52:13

9 the image. But this is the raw data. 12:52:17

10 Q. Okay. 12:52:23

11 A. It's not been prosed. I did not have 12:52:23

12 time to put the scale bar on that image. 12:52:28

13 Q. Okay. So if we look at Exhibit 21, 12:52:33

14 the particle on Exhibit 20 -- first of all, the 12:52:37

15 field of view for Exhibit 19 and Exhibit 21 is the 12:52:41

16 same field of view, correct? 12:52:44

17 A. This are two different sample. 12:52:47

18 Q. Not my question. I understand they 12:52:50

19 are two different samples. 12:52:52

20 A. The same field of view, same 12:52:53

21 objective. 12:52:56

22 Q. Okay. So if we were to superimpose 12:52:56

23 the micrometer from Exhibit 21 on to Exhibit 19, 12:52:59

24 that would be a fair thing to do? 12:53:06

1	A.	Correct.	12:53:09
2	Q.	Exhibit 19 is an image of a	12:53:10
3		chrysotile fiber, correct?	12:53:14
4	A.	Correct.	12:53:16
5	Q.	Exhibit 19, this one. Okay?	12:53:17
6		Exhibit 21 is an image of fibrous talc?	12:53:21
7	A.	Correct.	12:53:25
8	Q.	How close in size are these two	12:53:26
9		fibers?	12:53:34
10	A.	I think they are close.	12:53:36
11	Q.	They appear to be close, don't they?	12:53:38
12	A.	They are.	12:53:40
13	Q.	One of your criticisms of Dr. Longo's	12:53:44
14		work that chrysotile fibers in fact don't occur at	12:53:47
15		the same size.	12:53:51
16	A.	No. If you look the one, the 19 --	12:53:55
17		can you put 19?	12:53:59
18	Q.	Yes, sir.	12:54:00
19	A.	You see, this structure is larger	12:54:04
20		than the talc particle.	12:54:09
21	Q.	Sure. They are not exact matches.	12:54:13
22		But they are close in size, are they not?	12:54:16
23	A.	You see, if you -- I think the best	12:54:19
24		example is the USP study. They have two particle	12:54:25

1 distribution of the talc versus the chrysotile 12:54:33  
2 spiked in the talc sample. It's two population. 12:54:38  
3 However, the peak of the talc, the particle size is 12:54:44  
4 smaller than the chrysotile average size. However, 12:54:53  
5 the two curve is overlap, which means there are 12:55:00  
6 chrysotile fiber similar or even smaller than this. 12:55:08  
7 However, if you measure all the chrysotile in a 12:55:14  
8 sample, you plot it, it's the particle size is 12:55:20  
9 larger than the talc. 12:55:27

10 Also, I took some SEM image of the 12:55:31  
11 spiked sample. On the SEM, it's easier to find the 12:55:37  
12 chrysotile compared on the optical microscope. 12:55:48

13 Q. Is that the wet-sieved -- 12:55:55

14 A. That label the wet sieve, about 400 12:56:04  
15 mesh sieve, yeah. 12:56:08

16 Q. Now, all of what we are talking 12:56:11  
17 about, this work here with Exhibits 19, 20, and 21, 12:56:13  
18 Exhibit 18 as well, as well as the files that you're 12:56:17  
19 talking about with the wet-sieved chrysotile, all of 12:56:21  
20 this was done the month after you issued your expert 12:56:25  
21 report in the MDL case and the chemical arts case? 12:56:31

22 A. Correct. The MDL report was issued 12:56:41  
23 on May the 21st. The work I did is between 15th to 12:56:44  
24 17th of June, the next month. 12:56:53

1 Q. I want to continue kind of 12:57:53

2 identifying various things that you took pictures 12:57:55

3 of. 12:57:58

4 Exhibit 22 is an image what is 12:57:58

5 purported to be this SG-210 chrysotile in 1.560 12:58:03

6 refractive index liquid, correct? 12:58:09

7 A. Correct. 12:58:13

8 (Exhibit 22 3183377 with SG210 chrysotile in 12:58:13

9 1.560 alpha marked for identification.) 12:58:14

10 Q. Okay. And again it is your position 12:58:14

11 or your understanding that what you you've taken a 12:58:21

12 photo of is the Valadez talc sample spiked with 12:58:25

13 SG-210? 12:58:29

14 A. Correct. 12:58:31

15 Q. What percentage by weight, if you 12:58:31

16 know, SG-210 was spiked into the sample? 12:58:35

17 A. I believe it's 1 percent or 12:58:39

18 .1 percent, either it's 1 percent or .1 percent. 12:58:43

19 Q. There is a big difference between 12:58:48

20 those two. 12:58:49

21 A. That's right. 12:58:50

22 Q. You don't know? 12:58:51

23 A. I don't remember. I believe it's 12:58:55

24 1 percent. 12:58:59

1 (Exhibit 23 3183377 With SG210 Chrysotile in 12:58:59

2 1.560 Gamma marked for identification.) 12:59:01

3 Q. Exhibit 23 is that same sample but 12:59:01

4 this time 1.560 refractive index fluid, correct? 12:59:09

5 A. Correct. 12:59:15

6 Q. So here is where I am going to ask 12:59:16

7 questions about the PLM process that maybe I don't 12:59:19

8 understand fully. Exhibit 19 is the SG-210 and 12:59:22

9 1.550 RI fluid? 12:59:36

10 A. Yes. 12:59:39

11 Q. Exhibit 23 is -- 12:59:40

12 A. 560. 12:59:42

13 Q. I hate to be parental about this, but 12:59:50

14 you have to let me finish the question. 12:59:53

15 A. Sorry. 12:59:55

16 Q. Exhibit 19 and Exhibit 23, they are 13:00:00

17 not the same fiber, right? 13:00:04

18 A. No. 13:00:07

19 Q. Right. I thought so. I just wanted 13:00:08

20 to make sure. Okay. 13:00:11

21 Now, for Exhibit 23 and the 1.560, 13:00:13

22 again, it appears to be predominantly blue, but 13:00:21

23 there is little blue in the middle and then this 13:00:26

24 blade of yellowish on the outside and this little 13:00:29

1 starburst pattern here on the central left side. 13:00:32

2 And then on the edges on the left side, we have a 13:00:37

3 line of red and then some lighter blue and some 13:00:40

4 darker blue even get a little bit of greenish up 13:00:43

5 here in the west, northwest of the structure. 13:00:48

6 What color do you identify this fiber 13:00:53

7 with for purposes of reference to the CSDS chart? 13:00:57

8 A. Okay. This photograph actually the 13:01:02

9 fiber is the horizontal section. Okay. They are 13:01:08

10 not continuous to this part. This fiber I am 13:01:16

11 looking at, it's not as I said. It is not 13:01:22

12 continuous to this end. 13:01:28

13 Q. So because nobody is ever going to 13:01:31

14 know what you're pointing at on the written record, 13:01:33

15 you're saying the section to the right of the eye 13:01:39

16 starburst is the fiber you're evaluating? 13:01:42

17 A. That's correct. And the color is 13:01:45

18 this deep blue I confirm that by Becke line. 13:01:49

19 Q. That deep blue color on the southern 13:01:56

20 edge of the fiber is the color that you would 13:02:00

21 identify with that fiber? 13:02:02

22 A. Correct. 13:02:04

23 MR. PLACITELLA: Are you able to put 13:02:05

24 the cursor over that? 13:02:06



1	MR. BRALY: It wouldn't show up on	13:02:09
2	the record.	13:02:10
3	BY MR. BRALY:	13:02:42
4	Q. So as you go from south to north in	13:02:44
5	this middle, section, it goes from dark blue to	13:02:46
6	light blue, to the top you get this greenish reddish	13:02:53
7	menagerie?	13:02:57
8	A. Yes.	13:02:59
9	Q. Are you saying that you switched the	13:02:59
10	oculus to remove the central stop to evaluate the	13:03:04
11	Becke line?	13:03:08
12	A. No. The objective --	13:03:09
13	Q. The objective. I'm sorry.	13:03:09
14	(Reporter asks for clarification.)	13:03:09
15	THE WITNESS: The dispersion	13:03:16
16	staining, dispersion staining objective.	13:03:18
17	Q. And by doing that, you could evaluate	13:03:35
18	the Becke line?	13:03:39
19	A. Correct.	13:03:42
20	Q. And in evaluating the Becke line, am	13:03:42
21	I correct that you bring the image slightly out of	13:03:48
22	focus to evaluate the border between the fiber and	13:03:52
23	the fluid?	13:03:56
24	A. No. The Becke line you need to focus	13:03:57

1 on that. You did not change the focus. So when I 13:04:00  
2 switch between the central stop dispersion staining 13:04:05  
3 mode to the Becke line mode you don't change the 13:04:11  
4 focus. 13:04:18

5 Q. Isn't it a critique of using Becke 13:04:19  
6 lines to evaluate refractive index that it is not as 13:04:22  
7 suitable for smaller particles as it is for larger 13:04:26  
8 particles? 13:04:30

9 A. It depends. When it's not suitable 13:04:31  
10 is you cannot determine the movement of the Becke 13:04:38  
11 line or to distinguish the Becke line -- see, the 13:04:44  
12 Becke line, when the particle and the liquid, when 13:04:54  
13 they are very close, then the Becke line dispersed. 13:05:00  
14 So there is a Becke line inside the structure and 13:05:07  
15 also there is a Becke line dispersed Becke line 13:05:14  
16 outside the structure in the liquid. That is how 13:05:17  
17 you used to determine the match which Dr. Bloss book 13:05:26  
18 has a famous chart, Becke line chart which people 13:05:36  
19 used to determine a match or dis-match, mismatch. 13:05:41

20 Q. Does this image capture the entire 13:06:03  
21 field of view that was being observed through the 13:06:06  
22 microscope? 13:06:09

23 A. Correct. Every image in our database 13:06:09  
24 in the raw data we sent to you, they are the full 13:06:15

1 image. That's the only way to catch it. 13:06:19

2 Q. You do understand that you can take a 13:06:24

3 digital image capture of what's being seen through a 13:06:27

4 microscope with less than the full field of view, 13:06:31

5 correct? You understand that's a possibility? 13:06:36

6 A. There might be possibility. However, 13:06:42

7 the software come with this like a microscope. I 13:06:46

8 forgot the name of the software name. Star Wars 13:06:53

9 era. Anyway, it come with the system, the monitor, 13:06:59

10 the software image software and the microscope. 13:07:02

11 There is one complete system. So when you click the 13:07:08

12 capture image, it capture. 13:07:14

13 I don't know if they have a function, 13:07:17

14 for example, the cropped image or not. However, 13:07:23

15 when we do this analysis for each field of view we 13:07:29

16 examine, we just click the capture. So it capture 13:07:36

17 the whole image on the screen. 13:07:41

18 Q. Okay. So one of the criticisms that 13:07:43

19 you raised -- and we are going to look at it 13:07:49

20 later -- had to do with the size of the field of 13:07:51

21 view for some of Dr. Longo's work? 13:07:53

22 A. Yeah, correct. 13:07:56

23 Q. Point in fact is, you don't know if 13:07:57

24 that image was capturing the entire field of view or 13:08:00

1 if it was a cropped image from what was being 13:08:04

2 displayed on the monitor, correct? 13:08:07

3 A. I don't know. However, in software 13:08:10

4 they used to capture the digital image, usually 13:08:17

5 there is no cropping. There is no cropping. 13:08:26

6 Q. I appreciate what you're saying -- 13:08:34

7 A. Another important -- let me finish. 13:08:36

8 Q. Sure. 13:08:38

9 A. Another important too is the particle 13:08:39

10 size in the image, which is provided another 13:08:43

11 criteria to say is this a full field of view image 13:08:50

12 or as a cropped image or part of the image. Because 13:08:58

13 the particle size on the two images, they are not 13:09:05

14 the same. 13:09:11

15 Q. So I appreciate what you're saying 13:09:13

16 about whatever default function for capturing images 13:09:19

17 are. You actually are unaware if you're able to 13:09:24

18 crop an image in the software provided with these 13:09:29

19 microscopes or not as you sit here today, right? 13:09:32

20 A. No, I don't. I'm not. 13:09:36

21 Q. You took photos of ten different 13:10:02

22 particles in a folder with the same number, 3183377, 13:10:05

23 but this one was called with M12001. 13:10:17

24 A. Is that under screen? 13:10:24

1 Q. It's not. I will drag it over. It's 13:10:25

2 a folder. These are the folders that you provided. 13:10:31

3 A. Okay. 13:10:39

4 Q. Okay? It's a folder called 38 -- 13:10:39

5 3183377 with M12001.1.550 and then another folder 13:10:51

6 1.560. 13:11:00

7 A. Yes. 13:11:03

8 Q. In the 1.550 you have ten different 13:11:03

9 particles in alpha and in gamma? 13:11:07

10 A. Correct. 13:11:10

11 Q. And the 1.560 folder you have five 13:11:10

12 different particles in alpha and in gamma? 13:11:14

13 A. Correct. 13:11:21

14 Q. What is the M12001? What is that? 13:11:21

15 A. It is the Coalinga chrysotile from 13:11:25

16 the RTI. It's a California Calidria chrysotile. 13:11:33

17 M12001 indicate it is proficient testing code. So 13:11:45

18 the M represent a PLM. One indicate that the first 13:11:55

19 one in that year NVLAP issued two proficient testing 13:12:05

20 every year. One is in the first half of the year. 13:12:14

21 Two being the second half of the year. Then 2001, 13:12:20

22 which means that's the year of the test. So M12001 13:12:26

23 meant it is the first proficient testing conducted 13:12:35

24 by NVLAP in the year 2001. It is a first time or 13:12:42

1 the last time NVLAP use a Calidria chrysotile for 13:12:51

2 the test. 13:12:59

3 Q. So the folder with the M12001 is 13:12:59

4 another -- is it your testimony that that is another 13:13:06

5 batch of California chrysotile or Calidria? 13:13:09

6 A. Correct. 13:13:14

7 Q. Okay. And again, this was something 13:13:20

8 that you didn't analyze until after you had already 13:13:31

9 issued your expert report in this case? 13:13:34

10 A. Correct. 13:13:37

11 MR. BRALY: I am going to mark as 13:13:53

12 Exhibit 24, 25 and 26. 24 is going to be titled 13:13:55

13 Particle 1, M2000 -- M -- yeah, M2001, 1.250 gamma. 13:14:00

14 Exhibit 25 is going to be Particle 2. And 13:14:19

15 Exhibit 26 is going to be Particle 3. There are 10 13:14:20

16 particles, but we are going to look at these as 13:14:24

17 representative. 13:14:26

18 (Exhibit 24 Particle 1 M2001 1.250 Gamma 13:14:12

19 marked for identification.) 13:14:27

20 (Exhibit 25 Particle 2 M2001 1.250 Gamma 13:14:19

21 marked for identification.) 13:14:28

22 (Exhibit 26 Particle 3 M2001 1.250 Gamma 13:14:21

23 marked for identification.) 13:14:34

24 Q. Sir, in Exhibit 24, what are you 13:14:34

1 identifying here with that arrow? 13:14:48

2 A. Yeah. This is the Coalinga 13:14:51

3 chrysotile from California, Union Carbide's. 13:14:56

4 Q. Is this entire sample Calidria? 13:15:01

5 A. Yes. 13:15:10

6 Q. So there's no talc to your knowledge 13:15:12

7 in this sample? 13:15:16

8 A. Now I remember. This is the Coalinga 13:15:22

9 chrysotile-spiked talc, Chinese talc. It's not pure 13:15:29

10 Coalinga chrysotile. It's a spiked sample. 13:15:39

11 Q. I'm confused about this because you 13:15:58

12 have a whole other folder structure that you 13:16:01

13 produced called Chinese Talc Milled With 1866 13:16:04

14 Chrysotile and then you have another folder entirely 13:16:09

15 called Chinese Talc Milled with SG-210 Chrysotile. 13:16:12

16 That's not what this folder is. 13:16:17

17 A. But this folder is not SG-210. It is 13:16:21

18 the RTI, the Coalinga chrysotile. It's two Calidria 13:16:25

19 chrysotile. 13:16:34

20 Q. Yes, but what I am saying the folders 13:16:35

21 that you gave me were not identified as this being a 13:16:37

22 spiked sample. 13:16:40

23 A. That probably they did not indicate 13:16:42

24 in the file name. However, that a two spiked 13:16:47

1 sample. 13:16:52

2 MR. HYNES: I will note for the 13:16:52

3 record that the folder from which this originated is 13:16:54

4 3183377 with M12001 1.550. I think Dr. Su's 13:16:56

5 testimony previously is that 3183377 is the 13:17:09

6 designation for that Valadez Chinese source. 13:17:27

7 THE WITNESS: Yeah, that file name 13:17:31

8 reflect it is NVLAP chrysotile-spiked Valadez talc 13:17:33

9 powder. Let me make it clear. 13:17:47

10 BY MR. BRALY: 13:17:53

11 Q. Until you told me that, how was I to 13:17:53

12 know that 3183377 was a reference to the Valadez 13:17:57

13 talc sample that had been spiked? 13:18:03

14 A. See, the number I believe -- you 13:18:07

15 should be able to find that in one of Dr. Longo's 13:18:12

16 report. Yes, the numerical code. 13:18:18

17 Q. Okay. 13:18:24

18 A. So when he sent that chrysotile, 13:18:25

19 Calidria chrysotile to Dr. Gunter, I believe it is 13:18:33

20 with that number. That's why they continue -- yeah, 13:18:42

21 I saw something in a document they received a sample 13:18:47

22 with that number on. 13:18:54

23 Q. In what you produced to me I don't 13:18:55

24 know what 3183377 is. There is no indication in 13:18:58



1 this file name in any sense of what this is. 13:19:03

2 A. It is a Valadez sample. 13:19:06

3 Q. Okay. Well, I know that now. I 13:19:09

4 appreciate it. 13:19:10

5 A. Okay. 13:19:13

6 Q. What is Exhibit 24? What are we 13:19:13

7 looking at here in the middle of the screen with 13:19:16

8 that arrow on it? 13:19:18

9 A. That is a chrysotile, gamma 13:19:22

10 direction. 13:19:26

11 Q. Is that a fiber? 13:19:36

12 A. It is rather dark. It is the fiber. 13:19:46

13 I think there is a same picture of this fiber in the 13:19:53

14 alpha direction. I believe the alpha direction 13:20:01

15 should be clearer. If you find a particle 1 alpha, 13:20:04

16 can you show that image? 13:20:13

17 Q. I can. I will need to mark it as a 13:20:15

18 new exhibit. Give me a second. 13:20:18

19 A. For each particle, we took a gamma 13:20:20

20 and alpha. 13:20:24

21 Q. So this will be Exhibit 27, which is 13:20:28

22 particle 1 in the alpha direction. 13:20:31

23 (Exhibit 27 Particle 1 M2001 1.550 CSDS 13:20:34

24 Alpha marked for identification.) 13:20:38

1	A.	Yeah. That's very clear. Can you	13:20:38
2		see the fiber?	13:20:41
3	Q.	No.	13:20:42
4	A.	Do you want me to find it out?	13:20:45
5	Q.	Sure.	13:20:47
6	A.	That I remember. In the alpha	13:20:50
7		direction, it's more clearer. You see? From here,	13:20:52
8		up here.	13:21:00
9	Q.	Okay. It's like a blue streak that's	13:21:00
10		running just to the left of that bright light blue	13:21:05
11		blob?	13:21:10
12	A.	Correct.	13:21:11
13	Q.	All right. So oriented in the gamma	13:21:12
14		direction in Exhibit 24, you realize that the arrow	13:21:33
15		isn't pointing to the -- what you had previously	13:21:36
16		been indicating?	13:21:40
17	A.	If you look very carefully, it's	13:21:42
18		pointed to the end of the fiber.	13:21:46
19	Q.	Okay.	13:21:49
20	A.	Yeah.	13:21:50
21	Q.	What color are you associating with	13:21:51
22		that fiber for purposes of this CSDS chart?	13:21:54
23	A.	Magenta.	13:22:02
24	Q.	That's Exhibit 24. Okay.	13:22:09

1 Exhibit 25 is particle 2 still in 13:22:33  
2 1.550 refractive index oil? 13:22:39  
3 A. Correct. 13:22:44  
4 Q. From that same series of the 2001 13:22:44  
5 NVLAP Coalinga chrysotile? 13:22:48  
6 A. Correct. 13:22:52  
7 Q. What color are you identifying with 13:22:52  
8 what you identified here? 13:22:55  
9 A. Red purple. 13:22:57  
10 Q. Red purple, okay. Exhibit 26 is 13:23:06  
11 particle 3 from that same grouping which is not on 13:23:16  
12 your screen. There it is. Is the fiber that is 13:23:20  
13 curved structure that kind of wraps around the 13:23:34  
14 clamshell of the larger structure in the center of 13:23:39  
15 that screen? 13:23:42  
16 A. It looks to. However, can you show 13:23:43  
17 the alpha image of the same particle. Particle 3 13:23:47  
18 alpha. 13:23:52  
19 Q. Give me a second to rename it. 13:23:54  
20 (Exhibit 28 Particle 3 M2001 1.550 CSDS 13:24:08  
21 Alpha marked for identification.) 13:24:08  
22 Q. Exhibit 28 will be particle 3 alpha. 13:24:09  
23 A. That's right. Usually the alpha 13:24:15  
24 direction is the clearer. You can see a fibrous 13:24:18

1 structure in the middle. 13:24:25

2 Q. That's kind of -- for Exhibit 28 it 13:24:27

3 is running the left edge of that center mass 13:24:32

4 structure? 13:24:35

5 A. Mm-hmm. 13:24:36

6 Q. Is that right? 13:24:36

7 A. Correct. 13:24:37

8 Q. Okay. Going back to Exhibit 26, is 13:24:37

9 it again are we talking about this line that runs in 13:24:42

10 the outside of this larger mass structure? 13:24:49

11 A. Yeah, that's the same structure. 13:24:51

12 However, we are looking at the horizontal one. 13:24:54

13 Q. Very true, yes. 13:24:57

14 A. Horizontal part. 13:24:59

15 Q. What color do you identify with this 13:25:00

16 structure for purposes of the CSDS chart? 13:25:04

17 A. Red purple. 13:25:08

18 Q. Red purple. Let me kind of jump 13:25:11

19 around with you just a little bit and then we will 13:26:06

20 probably get to a point where we can take a break, 13:26:09

21 okay? 13:26:11

22 A. Okay. 13:26:11

23 Q. What type of illumination bulb were 13:26:12

24 you using when you took these images in June? 13:26:23

1 A. It is LED light source. 13:26:25

2 Q. What color temperature was the white 13:26:30

3 light in that bulb? 13:26:33

4 A. I did not measure that, but I switch 13:26:36

5 in the daylight filter, the building in the 13:26:39

6 microscope. That daylight filter is specifically 13:26:46

7 designed for that light source to make it the 13:26:51

8 daylight color temperature. 13:26:56

9 Q. That's built in to the microscope you 13:26:58

10 were using? 13:27:00

11 A. Yes. 13:27:02

12 Q. Remind me. What were as the 13:27:02

13 microscope you were using? 13:27:04

14 A. It's Leica DM2700 P, the model 13:27:06

15 number. 13:27:12

16 Q. You said that's the same microscope 13:27:12

17 that Bill Longo's lab uses. 13:27:15

18 A. Correct. 13:27:18

19 Q. You have no concerns about using an 13:27:19

20 LED bulb even though you don't know the color 13:27:21

21 temperature of the light coming out of it? 13:27:25

22 A. Because the daylight filter will 13:27:27

23 correct that. 13:27:31

24 Q. Okay. And that's a standard feature 13:27:32

1 on that microscope? 13:27:34

2 A. That's right. That is the 13:27:34

3 top-of-line microscope. 13:27:37

4 Q. Nice microscope. You do recognize 13:27:38

5 that there are different color temperatures of white 13:27:43

6 light, correct? 13:27:46

7 A. Oh, yes. I do. 13:27:46

8 Q. You can have a higher color 13:27:49

9 temperature which is going to be hued a little bit 13:27:51

10 more yellowish; you can have a colder-color 13:27:55

11 temperature which is going to be more bluish, 13:27:59

12 correct? 13:28:02

13 A. Correct. 13:28:02

14 Q. And it all falls in the range of 13:28:02

15 white light, correct? 13:28:06

16 A. No. The white light is daylight. 13:28:07

17 Q. Forgive me for that. Yes. 13:28:13

18 Incandescent bulbs, tungsten bulbs, LED illumination 13:28:19

19 sources, they can all have different temperature of 13:28:25

20 white, right? 13:28:26

21 A. Different color temperature. 13:28:27

22 Q. Microscopes have software and filters 13:28:31

23 built into them to correct for this, correct? 13:28:35

24 A. As far as I know, Leica is the only 13:28:38

1 model I saw; for example, the Olympus BH-2 model, 13:28:43  
2 which many asbestos lab used in the past. Now, 13:28:53  
3 later on, Olympus put out a more advanced model 13:28:59  
4 which cost a lot more expensive than the BH-51, BH-4 13:29:04  
5 series, BH-5 series, even have a BH-6 series. Then 13:29:13  
6 those Olympus are very well built. It will have a 13:29:20  
7 complete system, a custom design daylight filter 13:29:25  
8 with the light source. Same as the Leica. 13:29:34

9 Q. If there is no daylight filter, say, 13:29:44  
10 in an older Olympus microscope like you're talking 13:29:47  
11 about, are there software adjustments to account for 13:29:51  
12 white balancing images? 13:29:58

13 A. Not I'm aware of, because BH-2 13:30:01  
14 microscope does not come with a digital camera and 13:30:07  
15 the image software. But the Leica did -- does. 13:30:14

16 Q. So I don't have instance recall of 13:30:19  
17 every microscope that MAS has ever used. Is the 13:30:24  
18 Olympus BH-2 the one you were aware of them ever 13:30:28  
19 using? 13:30:33

20 A. I don't recall when I did the 13:30:34  
21 on-site, but most likely in a year that was 2006 13:30:37  
22 they are more likely to have the Olympus BH-2. As I 13:30:45  
23 said, Olympus BH-2 and the Nikon H4, these two 13:30:50  
24 models are the working horse for asbestos lab. They 13:31:01

1 are using either Olympus or Nikon. 13:31:05

2 A few lab use a very cheap 13:31:09

3 microscope, Meiji, M-e-i-j-i. That is a model, but 13:31:15

4 that microscope really is too poor builded [sic]. 13:31:23

5 Q. Okay. To answer my question, you 13:31:28

6 don't know if MAS ever used the Olympus BH-2, but 13:31:30

7 you think if they did it would have been back in 13:31:34

8 2006? 13:31:37

9 A. Correct. 13:31:39

10 Q. Okay. Since MAS began doing 13:31:39

11 polarized light microscopy with cosmetic talc, do 13:31:43

12 you know if they've used microscopes other than the 13:31:50

13 Leica? 13:31:52

14 A. No, I don't. 13:31:53

15 Q. You don't know? 13:31:55

16 A. Okay. But I know this Leica 13:31:56

17 microscope, I think they start using that two years 13:31:58

18 ago. Because if you looked at report, prior to 13:32:05

19 that, the image looks so yellowish-brownish and the 13:32:11

20 color temperature is skewed to the warm, to the 13:32:18

21 yellow-red. Now, suddenly the image become well 13:32:22

22 white balanced, then which means is the Leica 13:32:30

23 microscope. 13:32:37

24 Q. Before we take our break, I want to 13:32:37



1 ask you a couple questions about that. 13:32:39

2 This process of central stop 13:32:42

3 dispersion staining is a process, right? 13:32:49

4 A. It is a technique for measuring refer 13:32:53

5 refract index. 13:32:58

6 Q. Right. It's a method. It's a way of 13:33:00

7 doing something? 13:33:02

8 A. Correct. 13:33:03

9 Q. The method can be followed up to a 13:33:03

10 point to where it becomes the discretion of an 13:33:08

11 analyst in either how the image is prepared or how 13:33:13

12 they're interpreting it, correct? 13:33:18

13 MR. HYNES: Form, vague, overbroad. 13:33:20

14 You can answer. 13:33:23

15 A. I will say the key factor using 13:33:24

16 correctly use the dispersion staining technique to 13:33:34

17 measure refract index starting with the calibration 13:33:38

18 of the dispersion staining color, which I discussed 13:33:45

19 in detail in a paper couple years ago. I have the 13:33:50

20 whole step-wise procedure, like SOP, plus all the 13:33:58

21 tools which means all the conversion tables to use. 13:34:04

22 Q. Correct. So if you follow those 13:34:10

23 steps and you get to a point where you're dealing 13:34:12

24 with the discretion of the analyst, right, you will 13:34:16

1 get to a point where the analyst has to make an 13:34:20

2 interpretation of what they are seeing, correct? 13:34:22

3 MR. HYNES: Overbroad. 13:34:25

4 A. Yes. 13:34:29

5 Q. Just like you made an interpretation 13:34:29

6 of the exhibits that we just looked at about the 13:34:31

7 colors associated with them, correct? 13:34:33

8 A. Correct. 13:34:35

9 Q. If you follow the steps up to the 13:34:37

10 point where you're making a subjective 13:34:40

11 interpretation of the colors that you're evaluating, 13:34:44

12 then it is reasonable that scientists may disagree 13:34:49

13 about the interpretation, correct? 13:34:53

14 MR. HYNES: Incomplete hypothetical, 13:34:56

15 overbroad. 13:34:58

16 A. No. 13:34:59

17 Q. Reasonable scientists can't disagree 13:35:00

18 on those things? 13:35:03

19 A. You have to check Becke line. You 13:35:04

20 see, when you make that decision, you need to check 13:35:10

21 image with Becke line. If you did that and your 13:35:17

22 system is well calibrated, then you will get the 13:35:23

23 correct results. If you only look at the dispersion 13:35:29

24 staining image without checking with the Becke line, 13:35:37

24 |       microscopist in polarized light microscopy and you       13:37:16

1 understand the principle behind refract index 13:37:21  
2 determination using Becke line or the dispersion 13:37:28  
3 staining, you should automatically know you need to 13:37:33  
4 check with another method if you're in doubt. It 13:37:40  
5 should become automatically. However, if an analyst 13:37:51  
6 is not trained in this sense, he might not, that is 13:37:58  
7 the purpose of my paper. I thought you should. 13:38:04  
8 However, if you don't, now here is my paper to help 13:38:11  
9 you. 13:38:17  
10 MR. BRALY: Do you want to take a 13:38:20  
11 break? 13:38:21  
12 MR. HYNES: Sure. 13:38:22  
13 (A break was taken.) 13:47:03  
14 BY MR. BRALY: 13:49:29  
15 Q. I wanted to start just by asking you 13:49:29  
16 about something that I was asking you right before 13:49:37  
17 lunch, and that had to do with findings by other 13:49:40  
18 laboratories, finding chrysotile in Johnson & 13:49:43  
19 Johnson's products. I specifically wanted to ask 13:49:47  
20 you about McCrone. 13:49:50  
21 Do you believe that the analysts at 13:49:54  
22 McCrone generally follow a sound methodology for 13:49:59  
23 identifying asbestos in things like talc? 13:50:02  
24 A. I do. 13:50:05

1 Q. To the extent that McCrone reported 13:50:09  
2 finding chrysotile in Johnson & Johnson's Baby 13:50:12  
3 Powder, by reputation alone, you would tend to 13:50:20  
4 believe that they were accurate? 13:50:25

5 MR. HYNES: Overbroad. Calls for 13:50:27  
6 speculation. 13:50:29

7 A. I'm not aware -- McCrone has passed 13:50:29  
8 away quite a number of years ago, so since then, I 13:50:34  
9 think I retired on 2006. I have almost no 13:50:42  
10 connection with McCrone. 13:50:52

11 But before my retirement, I 13:50:55  
12 periodically go to Inter/Micro, the meeting in 13:51:02  
13 Chicago. But after I retired, I think I only go to 13:51:05  
14 some Johnson & Johnson conference, GSA conference 13:51:09  
15 and SDM conference. I believe I stop going to 13:51:16  
16 Chicago for the Inter/Micro, which is good meeting, 13:51:23  
17 but I don't feel I have to go. 13:51:27

18 Q. I guess what I am asking is, if 13:51:31  
19 McCrone in the 1970s was finding detectible levels 13:51:33  
20 of chrysotile in Johnson's Baby Powder, you would 13:51:38  
21 have no reason to dispute McCrone's findings without 13:51:42  
22 actually analyzing what it is that they looked at? 13:51:46

23 MR. HYNES: Same objections. 13:51:49

24 Go ahead. 13:51:50

1 A. In my view, of course I can neither 13:51:52  
2 confirm or deny their results. However, as a matter 13:51:58  
3 of importance, I will look the sample myself. 13:52:06

4 Q. I want to go through some of your 13:52:11  
5 report criticisms. And I think I want to go to -- I 13:52:32  
6 want to start with just this section. What I'm 13:52:41  
7 looking at here is page 24 of the pdf of Exhibit 3. 13:52:45  
8 It's page four of your PowerPoint presentation. 13:52:51

9 A. Okay. 13:52:55

10 Q. I will wait for you. 13:52:56

11 A. Yes. 13:53:02

12 Q. The image on the left, you use the 13:53:03  
13 term "suppressed." And on the right you use the 13:53:08  
14 term "unsuppressed." Do you see that? 13:53:12

15 A. Yes. 13:53:14

16 Q. Let's go through the basics. The 13:53:15  
17 basics are, you were not present when this image was 13:53:19  
18 captured on the microscope, correct? 13:53:22

19 A. Correct. 13:53:24

20 Q. The analyst who was there said that 13:53:25  
21 the light intensity was all the way up, correct? 13:53:29

22 A. Correct. 13:53:31

23 Q. The image on the right was brightened 13:53:32  
24 through software, correct? 13:53:38

1 A. Photoshop. 13:53:40

2 Q. Through Photoshop, okay. And it is a 13:53:40

3 presumption of yours that because it could be 13:53:45

4 brightened through software, that the original image 13:53:48

5 lacked the full illumination intensity, correct? 13:53:55

6 A. That was my conclusion. 13:53:59

7 Q. But whether or not, in fact, the 13:54:01

8 fully illumination intensity available for that 13:54:04

9 microscope was being utilized is something that you 13:54:08

10 don't know? 13:54:11

11 A. No, I don't. That's the reason I 13:54:11

12 went to RJ Lee in Pittsburgh. I want to confirm my 13:54:15

13 opinion. And the work I did confirm this 13:54:22

14 comparison. 13:54:29

15 Q. And that's something you did after 13:54:30

16 you issued the report in the MDL -- 13:54:32

17 A. Exactly, I want confirm through my 13:54:35

18 work. 13:54:38

19 Q. I have to finish the question, 13:54:39

20 because it's the way all this works. 13:54:42

21 A. Sorry. 13:54:45

22 Q. You confirmed that after you authored 13:54:45

23 this report, correct? 13:54:48

24 A. Correct. 13:54:50

1 Q. By the way, the report that you 13:54:51

2 issued in the MDL and the report you issued in Kayme 13:54:53

3 Clark's case, right? There is only one report from 13:54:59

4 May of this year? 13:55:02

5 A. Yeah, that's only report I issued. 13:55:03

6 Q. Just making sure. Wouldn't be the 13:55:06

7 first time I got halfway through a deposition and 13:55:08

8 realize I was talking about the wrong report. 13:55:10

9 There is another example of this. 13:55:13

10 This is the next page, page 25 of the pdf. It's 13:55:19

11 paginated five of your PowerPoint. 13:55:24

12 A. Correct. 13:55:28

13 Q. This is a sample from what's referred 13:55:28

14 to as the Klayman sample, K-l-a-y-m-a-n? 13:55:30

15 A. Yes. 13:55:35

16 Q. Same questions, you have no idea 13:55:35

17 about whether or not the images on the left what's 13:55:38

18 labeled as suppressed were or were not at their full 13:55:43

19 intensity on the microscope when those images were 13:55:48

20 captured, correct? 13:55:51

21 A. I think there's two issues in this 13:55:52

22 statement. I don't need to know the setting, 13:55:56

23 intensity setting, but for experienced analyst 13:56:04

24 simply by looking at the image you would know 13:56:13



1 whether illumination is correct or not. Which is to 13:56:18  
2 say, when I look the original image in MAS report, 13:56:27  
3 like the first time the Gold Bond report Mickey sent 13:56:37  
4 to me in 2022 review, so my first reaction when I 13:56:45  
5 saw the image, I said, something wrong, because, you 13:56:53  
6 see, many particle in the background they did not 13:56:59  
7 show up. 13:57:04

8 If you are in fully illumination, the 13:57:07  
9 light intensity is proper. I call it normal 13:57:11  
10 illumination. You should be able to see all the 13:57:17  
11 particles, the majority of particles in the field of 13:57:23  
12 view. 13:57:27

13 Now, when you see an image on the 13:57:29  
14 left, you're immediate reaction is the intensity of 13:57:31  
15 the light used, this in is insufficient or I call it 13:57:39  
16 suppressed. 13:57:48

17 Q. Presume with me for a moment that the 13:57:53  
18 intensity was as high as that particular model 13:57:59  
19 microscope would allow it to go, assume that for me 13:58:02  
20 for just a moment, okay? 13:58:07

21 A. (No verbal response.) 13:58:08

22 Q. If true, what else were they to do in 13:58:09  
23 capturing this image? 13:58:13

24 A. You see, this Leica microscope are 13:58:15

1 like the Olympus BH-2. Olympus BH-2 has a slider on 13:58:20  
2 the right side of the base of the microscope, as a 13:58:29  
3 minimum and as maximum. Simply by pulling that, you 13:58:35  
4 know you are low intensity, high intensity or 13:58:41  
5 medium. 13:58:48

6 But the Leica microscope is not 13:58:48  
7 designed like this way. It has a wheel, not a 13:58:52  
8 slider. The wheel has no stop. It turn 360 13:58:58  
9 degrees. It did not have a mark on the side of 13:59:07  
10 intensity dial. So you simply by looking at the 13:59:12  
11 wheel, you don't know which setting you are. 13:59:21

12 What I'm saying, you don't know which 13:59:26  
13 intensity, whether it is a full or half or minimum, 13:59:29  
14 you don't know. The only way you know is looking at 13:59:35  
15 the -- through the tube, observing the image. In 13:59:40  
16 the meantime, you use your left hand to turn the 13:59:50  
17 wheel. Now you know whenever you think the 13:59:52  
18 illumination is proper, you're stopped. 14:00:00

19 So if you look at my Pittsburgh 14:00:07  
20 folder, I think the first one for the Valadez baby 14:00:10  
21 powder samples I took three images. One is 14:00:17  
22 suppressed. Another is I consider as normal 14:00:23  
23 illumination. And the third is I adjust that until 14:00:29  
24 I cannot increase the intensity anymore. So I 14:00:35

1 labeled that image as a maximum intensity. So I 14:00:41

2 have three images; suppressed, normal, and maximum. 14:00:47

3 The way with that microscope you 14:00:54

4 cannot tell from the intensity adjustment, unlike 14:00:58

5 BH-2 which you can. You can only determine whether 14:01:04

6 the intensity is proper or under or over by looking 14:01:09

7 at image. 14:01:17

8 Q. So I don't think you actually 14:01:19

9 answered my question, but there is a lot of good 14:01:28

10 information here. 14:01:31

11 A. Okay. 14:01:32

12 Q. I want to start with the point you 14:01:32

13 brought up about the illumination folder in the 14:01:36

14 materials that you provided. There are -- and I 14:01:40

15 haven't marked them. I haven't asked you about 14:01:44

16 them, but I have them here, photos of suppressed 14:01:45

17 normal and max. I have seen those. 14:01:49

18 Are those photos that were 14:01:53

19 manipulated digitally or are those images that you 14:01:55

20 took from the Leica microscope? 14:01:58

21 A. Direct image from the microscope. 14:02:01

22 Q. Okay. That's an example that you did 14:02:04

23 with the Leica microscope? 14:02:06

24 A. Yes. 14:02:07

1 Q. Okay. And there is a video. I 14:02:08

2 presume the video is of you doing that. 14:02:11

3 A. Yes. 14:02:14

4 Q. That's something that you did with 14:02:14

5 Bryan Bandli and Matt Sanchez after your report in 14:02:17

6 this case? 14:02:20

7 A. Yeah, with Matt. Bryan, he was in 14:02:21

8 Europe. He was attending IMARC meeting. Okay. But 14:02:24

9 he is online on Zoom. 14:02:29

10 Q. The IMARC meeting, that's in Lyon, 14:02:32

11 France? 14:02:37

12 A. Correct. 14:02:37

13 Q. He got to go to France while you're 14:02:37

14 hanging out in Pittsburgh? 14:02:40

15 A. Yes. 14:02:43

16 Q. My question to you was, you're aware 14:02:44

17 that the analyst who did this imaging, Paul Hess, 14:02:53

18 said that the intensity was all the way up, all 14:02:56

19 right? I want you to presume that it was. What 14:03:00

20 else would he to do? You follow what I'm saying? 14:03:04

21 A. Yeah. 14:03:08

22 Q. You know, you keep saying that this 14:03:09

23 was suppressed, but having not been there or 14:03:11

24 experienced that, it strikes me as something that 14:03:17

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1 | you simply don't know. 14:03:21

2 MR. HYNES: Object to form. 14:03:24

3 A. As matter of fact, you see, I would 14:03:25

4 | love to go to his lab, show him on the microscope, 14:03:28

5 |       okay, what is the fully illumination, what is       14:03:34

6 suppressed, what is the normal. The only way to 14:03:40

7 | communicate with him is by using his microscope with 14:03:44

8 a sample on the stage. Because that is the best way 14:03:51

9 to explain that. If I could, I would love to go. 14:03:56

10	Actually, I wouldn't mind even give him some	14:04:02
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11 training to do the work better. Okay. 14:04:08
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12	Q.	Maybe at a different time. I think	14:04:11
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13	that ship has sailed now.	14:04:17
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14 I wanted to ask. I am looking now at 14:04:29

15	page 32 of the pdf, which is page 12 of your	14:04:41
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16	PowerPoint.	14:04:47
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17	A.	Okay.	14:04:48
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18	Q.	This is where we are talking about	14:04:50
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19 the concept of total reflection. 14:04:51

20	A. Yes.	14:04:55
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21 Q. Your testimony here is that analyzing 14:04:56

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22 | the edge of a particle for the color is not 14:05:05
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23 appropriate unless you confirm it through the Becke 14:05:11

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24 |         line?                                     14:05:16
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1 A. Correct. 14:05:16

2 Q. I just want to make sure. The Becke 14:05:17

3 line adjustment is to deal with this concept of 14:05:21

4 total reflection; is that right? 14:05:26

5 A. It's the best way to recognize the 14:05:30

6 total reflection caused distortion to the central 14:05:36

7 stop dispersion staining color. Whether the color 14:05:43

8 has been distorted due to the edge or boundary 14:05:48

9 effect can be determined by Becke line. 14:05:55

10 Q. I want to ask you some follow-up 14:06:00

11 questions on this: 14:06:02

12 The edge or boundary effect, it can 14:06:03

13 be -- it's a real thing, right? It's something that 14:06:10

14 happens without distortion, correct? 14:06:13

15 MR. HYNES: Vague, overbroad. 14:06:17

16 Q. Let me ask a different question. I'm 14:06:20

17 sorry. Forget I asked that one. 14:06:22

18 When we looked at images that you 14:06:23

19 took just a moment ago, that series of images 14:06:25

20 between 18, Exhibit 18 and I think 24 and 25, there 14:06:28

21 were examples of fibers that had different colors 14:06:34

22 around the edges, correct. 14:06:40

23 A. Correct. 14:06:42

24 Q. Right. So and you had confirmed by 14:06:43

1 looking without the central stop at the Becke line 14:06:47  
2 to confirm that this was not a result of this total 14:06:53  
3 reflection phenomenon, correct? 14:06:56  
4 MR. HYNES: Objection, misstates 14:06:59  
5 testimony. 14:07:01  
6 A. Could you say again? 14:07:01  
7 Q. Yes, I can. 14:07:02  
8 A. Okay. 14:07:03  
9 Q. When you identified an edge color or 14:07:03  
10 a boundary distinction color, you confirmed that it 14:07:07  
11 was not distortion by confirming through the Becke 14:07:13  
12 lines that this was not part of this total 14:07:18  
13 reflection distortion, correct? 14:07:21  
14 MR. HYNES: Form. 14:07:22  
15 A. Correct. 14:07:23  
16 Q. So it is completely valid that you 14:07:24  
17 might have a fiber that has different colors in the 14:07:27  
18 middle versus the edge, because of a legitimate edge 14:07:31  
19 effect, correct? 14:07:36  
20 MR. HYNES: Vague, overbroad. 14:07:37  
21 A. I don't know whether the word 14:07:41  
22 "legitimate" is appropriate because, for example, in 14:07:44  
23 my graph, I show you if the boundary or the 14:07:52  
24 interface between the liquid and the fiber, if that 14:07:59

1 angle exceed or equal the critical angle which the 14:08:08  
2 starting angle occur the total reflection if it 14:08:19  
3 happen that angle meet that criteria, I think 14:08:26  
4 another slide I calculate, for example, 83, 14:08:31  
5 86 degrees, something like that. Once that angle 14:08:34  
6 reach the critical angle, then this wavelength will 14:08:40  
7 be totally reflected. It's not going to enter the 14:08:48  
8 objective. Therefore, the corresponding central 14:08:51  
9 stop dispersion staining color is distorted. 14:08:58

10 Q. I think all I'm trying to figure out 14:09:04  
11 is can you have an edge effect, a boundary effect 14:09:06  
12 like what we see on page 32 of Exhibit 3, that is 14:09:11  
13 the result of distortion and can you also have a 14:09:17  
14 boundary edge effect that is not the result of 14:09:21  
15 distortion? 14:09:25

16 A. Any so-called boundary effect will 14:09:28  
17 always cause a distortion if the angle equal or 14:09:39  
18 exceed the critical angle -- 14:09:46

19 Q. I'm sorry for interrupting you. But 14:09:50  
20 if it doesn't exceed that critical angle -- 14:09:52

21 A. It will not cause that. 14:09:54

22 Q. But you will still have -- can you 14:09:56  
23 still have a boundary edge effect that is not the 14:09:58  
24 product of distortion? 14:10:01



1           A.           Then there is no effect. You see, if 14:10:09  
2           it does not reach the critical angle, the 14:10:12  
3           corresponding central stop dispersion staining color 14:10:20  
4           will not be altered so there is no effect on the 14:10:26  
5           color. 14:10:31

6           Q.           So I'm sorry. I'm sorry if I'm the 14:10:32  
7           one who is being dumb here. 14:10:37

8                       MR. PLACITELLA: Don't apologize. It 14:10:47  
9           happens a lot. 14:10:49

10                      THE WITNESS: I wish I can present 14:10:50  
11           some graphics I create after this report -- 14:10:52

12           BY MR. BRALY: 14:10:57

13           Q.           I'm sorry for interrupting. Let me 14:10:57  
14           go back to Exhibit 19. This was one of the images 14:10:59  
15           that you took, right? 14:11:03

16           A.           Correct. 14:11:05

17           Q.           And there are different colors in 14:11:06  
18           this fiber? 14:11:08

19           A.           Correct. 14:11:09

20           Q.           There is goldish in the middle. 14:11:10  
21           There is purple on the edges. You can have 14:11:12  
22           different colors around the edge that is not the 14:11:15  
23           result of some kind of improper distortion? 14:11:18

24           A.           Correct. 14:11:22

1 Q. Okay. But you believe -- going back 14:11:23  
2 to Exhibit 3, page 32 -- that this image in the top 14:11:33  
3 left, it is your opinion that this is the result of 14:11:39  
4 some kind of reflective distortion? 14:11:43

5 A. Yes. 14:11:46

6 Q. And to correct for this, Mr. Hess or 14:11:48  
7 whoever the analyst is should remove the central 14:11:54  
8 stop and check the Becke line? 14:11:58

9 A. Correct. 14:11:59

10 Q. And what color Becke line should they 14:12:00  
11 see? 14:12:03

12 A. The Becke line, when you examine the 14:12:05  
13 Becke line, first you look at the relief of the 14:12:09  
14 particle. If the liquid refract index is very close 14:12:16  
15 to the particle, the relief is very, very low or 14:12:23  
16 unnoticeable. However, if the liquid is 14:12:32  
17 significantly higher or lower than the object, than 14:12:36  
18 the structure, the relief will be very clear. 14:12:42

19 So if, for example, this fiber, which 14:12:46  
20 I think may be Paul Hess did, if he examined the 14:12:54  
21 same particle in Becke line mode by switching off 14:13:00  
22 the central stop, he should be able to see the 14:13:08  
23 relief of the edge is very obvious. However, the 14:13:15  
24 center, it's merged with the liquid. There is no 14:13:23

1 little or no relief. 14:13:29

2 Q. When I've seen Becke line images, I 14:13:31

3 have seen them as halos of reddish or greenish. Do 14:13:34

4 you know what I am talking about here? 14:13:40

5 A. I know. 14:13:41

6 Q. I would hope so. Because I don't and 14:13:42

7 you're Dr. Su. 14:13:49

8 Is there a color that is associated 14:13:51

9 like a halo when you view this kind of thing in a 14:13:55

10 Becke line mode and, if so, what should it be? 14:13:58

11 MR. HYNES: Vague. 14:14:03

12 A. I think the best way to answer this 14:14:06

13 is if I could present a color bar for Becke line, 14:14:10

14 which nobody did until a couple months ago at the 14:14:19

15 DRIMMC institute. Dr. Bow Lee, he create the first 14:14:26

16 set of the Becke line color chart. McCrone did the 14:14:34

17 essentially stop dispersion standing chart. Eric 14:14:43

18 Chatfield did the ISO chart. None of them created a 14:14:48

19 Becke line chart. 14:14:55

20 The first one I believe was done 14:14:59

21 couple months ago by Dr. Bow Lee. He asked me to 14:15:02

22 review that. I think that's a great job. Will help 14:15:08

23 people to use the Becke line. 14:15:11

24 Q. Sure. 14:15:13

1           A.           You see, if you have that chart, you   14:15:14  
2           look at the color in the liquid and you look at the   14:15:16  
3           color in the particle, you go to that chart, then   14:15:22  
4           you get the matching wavelengths, like the ISO or   14:15:27  
5           McCrone chart for central stop dispersion staining   14:15:31  
6           color.   14:15:36

7           Q.           So I think we are talking about two   14:15:41  
8           different things here for a second. When you're   14:15:43  
9           talking about using Becke lines in something like   14:15:46  
10          this, it is simply to observe the relief between the   14:15:49  
11          edge and the underlying immersion oil; is that   14:15:52  
12          right?   14:15:52

13          A.           Right.                                   14:15:59

14          Q.           You're saying there is a second layer   14:15:59  
15          of analysis that is essentially brand-new and not   14:16:01  
16          yet finalized to evaluate the halo color associated   14:16:04  
17          with the Becke line; is that right?               14:16:07

18                       MR. HYNES: Objection to form.       14:16:09

19          A.           No. Let me clarify. What I said,   14:16:10  
20          there are -- there is a method which is the laws   14:16:16  
21          developed. However, it is chart with X, Y, X's and   14:16:23  
22          also the line says in this area the particle is   14:16:29  
23          higher by .5, .03, something like that. However, it   14:16:34  
24          does not have color. It only describe term, purple,   14:16:44

1 purplish, yellowish, orange-ish, something like 14:16:51

2 that. However, what Dr. Bow Lee did, he convert 14:16:55

3 that chart into the color bar. 14:17:02

4 Q. Like a visualization? 14:17:05

5 A. That's right. Before Dr. Bow Lee, 14:17:06

6 you will have to use Dr. Bloss chart. But it's not 14:17:10

7 the color chart what I am saying. 14:17:14

8 Q. It's a descriptive chart? 14:17:17

9 A. That's right. Actually that chart, 14:17:19

10 every time when I got to a NVLAP lab to do the 14:17:33

11 online assessment, I always give that chart to them. 14:17:38

12 Okay. And told them if you use Becke line to 14:17:45

13 determine the refract index, this the chart to use. 14:17:49

14 Q. Next slide I want to talk to you 14:18:03

15 about is this -- your slide 13 of the PowerPoint. 14:18:05

16 It's page 33 of Exhibit 3. 14:18:10

17 You had talked about this before. 14:18:13

18 Dr. Longo had taken a PLM image and reported a 14:18:16

19 variety of different retractive indices within a 14:18:21

20 particular bundle. Your conclusion here is that 14:18:25

21 this is not possible. 14:18:29

22 A. No. 14:18:31

23 Q. My question is, why not? If you have 14:18:32

24 a bundle of individual fibers, why would it not be 14:18:38

1 possible for different chrysotiles in that bundle to 14:18:44

2 have different refractive indexes? 14:18:48

3 A. Let me explain. I know the history 14:18:51

4 of this 1866 SRM developed by NIST. If you look at 14:18:55

5 the certificate, there are two names there. 14:19:03

6 Jennifer Verkouteren, she is the supervisor of that 14:19:08

7 lab. And a second name is John Phelps. John Phelps 14:19:15

8 was the one who measured the refract index of this 14:19:23

9 1866 chrysotile from Canada. The first thing they 14:19:31

10 do in order to establish an SRM, which stands for 14:19:39

11 Standard Reference Material, which is job done by 14:19:49

12 NIST. Their name is National Institute of Standards 14:19:56

13 and Technology. They have issued various standard 14:20:01

14 reference material. 14:20:07

15 The chrysotile is one of the 14:20:09

16 asbestos. They have two sets, asbestos standards. 14:20:13

17 1866, which is common asbestos, including 14:20:17

18 chrysotile, amosite and crocidolite, plus 14:20:25

19 fiberglass. 14:20:31

20 The second set is uncommon asbestos, 14:20:32

21 which are the tremolite, actinolite, anthophyllite. 14:20:38

22 Now, when they are developing this standard 14:20:46

23 reference material, John Phelps have close contact 14:20:52

24 with me. The reason is, they were using the most 14:21:02

1 accurate procedure to measure the refract index is 14:21:09  
2 called a spindle stage, which is developed by Dr. 14:21:14  
3 Bloss. Doc Bloss have just a book called The 14:21:21  
4 Principle of Spindle Stage. 14:21:26  
5 Q. I think I have that book. 14:21:28  
6 A. You have that? 14:21:30  
7 Q. I think I do. 14:21:31  
8 A. That's right. That's the most neat 14:21:32  
9 technique to measure refract index in a sense, you 14:21:38  
10 mount the target mineral onto a tip of glass fiber, 14:21:45  
11 you use fingernail polish. You glue the object 14:21:56  
12 mineral onto that fiber. Now you mount that onto a, 14:22:01  
13 they call Goniometer, which is used in X-ray 14:22:08  
14 detracton to sample mounting. The reason is, that 14:22:18  
15 device can rotate in XY access, which means you can 14:22:24  
16 orient fiber to any direction you want, because when 14:22:33  
17 you use the Becke line method, as I said in the 14:22:41  
18 past, you have to change the oil. Then it would be 14:22:46  
19 hard to keep on the same particle. You have to find 14:22:53  
20 another particle to prepare in another oil to 14:23:00  
21 measure that. But a spindle stage eliminate that 14:23:03  
22 need. You look at a single fiber, the same sample. 14:23:08  
23 You change the refract index of the oil by heating 14:23:15  
24 or cooling that until you saw a match. 14:23:19

1                   Because, for example, the chrysotile       14:23:27  
2       which had behaved like in the actual crystal so it       14:23:32  
3       has two principal refract index, gamma and alpha.       14:23:37  
4       All the rest, the other five, they are by actual.       14:23:45  
5       There is three principal refract index. Chrysotile       14:23:50  
6       has only two.       14:23:55  
7                   However, you need to orient the       14:23:57  
8       direction, for example, gamma to be parallel to the       14:24:00  
9       polarizer. Then you're measuring the true gamma.       14:24:06  
10       You have to orient the fiber perpendicular to the       14:24:11  
11       polarized light -- polarizer to measure the alpha.       14:24:15  
12       The spindle stage make this job easier. However, it       14:24:22  
13       is still very tedious, because in order to establish       14:24:30  
14       this as standard reference material, you can only --       14:24:36  
15       you do not only measure wine fiber to represent the       14:24:41  
16       whole batch of the material. You have to measure       14:24:45  
17       many of them, make sure it is stable, refract index,       14:24:49  
18       then it will be qualified to be an SRM.       14:24:57  
19                   So what John Phelps did when he was       14:25:02  
20       at NIST, it's very tedious job, because actually he       14:25:06  
21       went to Virginia Tech. At that time I'm still       14:25:12  
22       finishing my PhD to learn the spindle stage       14:25:17  
23       technique. And after he returned to the NIST, what       14:25:26  
24       he did the measurement we were in close contact.       14:25:31



1 Whenever he run into any problem, he will call me. 14:25:38

2 Therefore, what I'm saying, this 1866 14:25:43

3 chrysotile has a constant, very stable refract 14:25:50

4 index. Gamma is 1.56. Gamma is 1.556. Alpha is 14:25:58

5 1.549. This has been confirmed by many measurements 14:26:07

6 of John Phelps. So in this bundle it's all 1866. 14:26:13

7 It's not a bundle put together with Canadian 14:26:24

8 chrysotile of Vermont or Italy. It is entirely from 14:26:32

9 Canada. Therefore, this fiber has only one refract 14:26:42

10 index. Otherwise, it would be not qualified to be a 14:26:51

11 standard reference material. 14:26:54

12 Q. I understand the logic. 14:26:56

13 A. Yeah. 14:26:58

14 Q. Okay? 14:26:58

15 A. The color, the reason it has a range 14:26:59

16 of color like this micrograph indicates is, they are 14:27:04

17 distorted dispersion staining color. 14:27:13

18 Q. Okay. As an analyst when you're 14:27:17

19 looking at something like this that looks like a 14:27:26

20 fire work -- 14:27:29

21 A. Yes. 14:27:31

22 Q. -- how do you know which color to 14:27:32

23 sample to reference against the CSDS chart? 14:27:36

24 A. Becke line. 14:27:41

1 Q. How does the Becke line show you 14:27:46

2 that? That's what I'm still -- this is where I 14:27:49

3 don't know because I'm not a microscopy. 14:27:52

4 A. This image is the chrysotile 1866 14:27:56

5 chrysotile in 1.55 oil. Now we are looking at 14:28:01

6 elongated direction, which is the gamma direction, 14:28:13

7 whose refract index is slowly above the 1.55 oil. 14:28:21

8 However if it's not at 25 degrees C, most likely 14:28:30

9 it's under that. The oils refract index probably is 14:28:39

10 higher, slightly higher than 1.550. Maybe is.551, 14:28:46

11 something like that. Those correction has been 14:28:53

12 built in the conversion table I created. 14:28:58

13 Under the Becke line, it were in the 14:29:04

14 area of Dr. Bloss's chart in the area slightly above 14:29:09

15 a perfect match, which means the gamma directions 14:29:17

16 Becke line have a strong, slightly stronger orange, 14:29:26

17 red orange color than the light blue color in the 14:29:35

18 liquid. 14:29:40

19 You will find the Becke line image. 14:29:42

20 You look for that color pattern. Then you know here 14:29:47

21 is the true imagine between the liquid and the 14:29:55

22 fiber. 14:30:02

23 Q. So I'm going to do this: You did 14:30:03

24 submit this week to me some photos of Becke line 14:30:09

1 imaging. 14:30:14

2 A. Yeah. The Cargille glass. 14:30:15

3 Q. Yes. You say glass -- 14:30:21

4 A. Glass. 14:30:22

5 Q. You're looking at glass? 14:30:23

6 A. Yeah. 14:30:24

7 Q. Okay. So I marked one of these as 14:30:26

8 Exhibit 29. 14:30:30

9 Cargille is a company. They supplied 14:30:47

10 standards that you can use? 14:30:50

11 A. Yeah. 14:30:53

12 Q. So that's clear on the record. So 14:30:53

13 what this photo that you submitted to me is, is 14:30:56

14 glass in 1.550 refractive index oil under the -- 14:31:02

15 with the Becke line setting -- I keep calling it 14:31:10

16 oculus but it's not. What's it called? 14:31:15

17 A. The objective. 14:31:20

18 Q. The objective, yeah. So how does the 14:31:21

19 line, the line around the perimeter of this, one of 14:31:30

20 them is kind of brownish. One of them is kind of 14:31:37

21 reddish brown. The other one is kind of greenish. 14:31:41

22 Other one is kind of bluish. How do these lines 14:31:44

23 tell you how close this object is to the surrounding 14:31:48

24 refractive index oil? 14:31:52

1	A.	The Bloss chart, you use the Bloss	14:31:54
2		chart to determine --	14:31:59
3	Q.	Okay.	14:32:01
4	A.	-- whether it is a match, how close	14:32:03
5		the match or how far no match.	14:32:05
6	Q.	All right.	14:32:09
7	A.	If you refer to that chart, you will	14:32:10
8		immediately know the different, the Becke line.	14:32:15
9	Q.	Probably a Becke line, B-e-c-k-e?	14:32:24
10	A.	Yeah, B-e-c-k-e.	14:32:29
11	Q.	So you would have to, what, take a --	14:32:48
12		the analyst would have to determine what color this	14:32:53
13		is and then match it to the descriptive color in the	14:32:57
14		Bloss chart?	14:33:02
15	A.	Correct.	14:33:02
16	Q.	To figure this out. So there is a	14:33:03
17		subjectivity to the analyst saying that this is	14:33:05
18		brown versus dark reddish or orange-ish and then	14:33:10
19		comparing that to a descriptive phrase on the Bloss	14:33:17
20		chart?	14:33:22
21		MR. HYNES: Object to form.	14:33:22
22	A.	No. Let me explain. Actually, the	14:33:23
23		analyst should look the area shows the closest	14:33:27
24		match, then were the directive, the true reflect	14:33:35

1 index of the object. 14:33:45

2 Q. When you say the closest match, in 14:33:46

3 this particular image, there are two particles in 14:33:48

4 this particular image. And if we look at the 14:33:51

5 particle on the right in the top left section of the 14:33:54

6 particle on the right, it appears to be a blending 14:33:59

7 match there between the oil and the particle. Am I 14:34:04

8 doing this right? 14:34:06

9 A. Yes. 14:34:07

10 Q. Okay. So then, do you take the line 14:34:08

11 most closely associated with that matching; is that 14:34:11

12 right? 14:34:18

13 A. Yes. 14:34:18

14 Q. You would use the color kind of 14:34:18

15 brownish here and then compare that to the Bloss 14:34:21

16 chart and it will give you a refractive index value? 14:34:24

17 A. It will tell you how close the 14:34:28

18 particle to the oil. The oil is like a measure. It 14:34:33

19 has the known value of 1.55. This glass from 14:34:39

20 Cargille, actually was Corning glass, they use that 14:34:46

21 as the standards. This glass is M7 set because 14:34:52

22 Cargille has issue three sets of the glass. This is 14:34:57

23 the M7 set from the lot B, which has a refract index 14:35:01

24 of 1.55077 at 589 nanometer wavelengths, which is 14:35:12

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1 the standard wavelengths to describe the refract 14:35:23  
2 index. 14:35:27

3 So this area, you just point out, you 14:35:29  
4 see here the particle looks like it merged into. 14:35:37  
5 You cannot see the relief. Then it indicates it's a 14:35:45  
6 very, very close match between the glass and the 14:35:52  
7 liquid. Therefore, you should use this area to 14:35:59  
8 measure as in the value of the glass refract index. 14:36:07

9 Q. So when you figure that out, the area 14:36:14  
10 that you should be using, is that when you're 14:36:17  
11 supposed to switch back to the central stop and then 14:36:21  
12 evaluate that same relative location? 14:36:25

13 A. Yes. You see, I have a corresponding 14:36:27  
14 image of this two particle in central stop mode. 14:36:31  
15 Can we switched to that micrograph? 14:36:36

16 Q. You do. Look at that. I will mark 14:36:44  
17 that as Exhibit 30. 14:36:52

18 (Exhibit 30 Image 1.55 Glass CSDS 1.550 14:36:54  
19 marked for identification.) 14:37:04

20 Q. Again, for the right particle, the 14:37:04  
21 two particles in the center of the screen, you're 14:37:08  
22 saying that the correct place to evaluate the color 14:37:11  
23 is in the top -- kind of the I call it the north, 14:37:15  
24 northwest side of the right hand particle? 14:37:19

1 A. Correct. Which you have confirmed 14:37:22

2 with the Becke line image. 14:37:25

3 Q. All right. 14:37:27

4 MR. HYNES: I want to note for the 14:37:29

5 record if you could go back to Exhibit 30, please. 14:37:30

6 This looks a little bit different from the image 14:37:33

7 that was produced in advance of today's deposition. 14:37:35

8 May be the monitor. I'm not certain, but it 14:37:39

9 looks -- 14:37:43

10 MR. BRALY: Kevin -- 14:37:44

11 MR. HYNES: I can look on your 14:37:48

12 screen. I think it has to be the monitor. 14:37:49

13 MR. BRALY: Okay. 14:38:33

14 BY MR. BRALY: 14:38:34

15 Q. All right. So you have to use Becke 14:38:34

16 lines on something like this? 14:38:35

17 A. That's right. 14:38:37

18 Q. All right. Can I ask you about this 14:38:38

19 middle paragraph? On the right-hand column. The 14:38:42

20 last sentence that you provide here [Reading] If 14:38:46

21 such a theory is proved, it would shake the very 14:38:50

22 foundation of physics. 14:38:53

23 A. Yes. The reason I said that is, the 14:38:56

24 refract index is intrinsic physical property of 14:39:04

1 material. It was -- it is determined by the 14:39:10  
2 elemental composition and the crystal structure. So 14:39:14  
3 within this fiber bundle in the micron scale neither 14:39:20  
4 the elemental composition or the crystal structure 14:39:28  
5 change. Therefore, the resulting refract index 14:39:33  
6 should not be changed, because it also verified by 14:39:38  
7 NIST, by measuring a series chrysotile for their 14:39:46  
8 standard reference material sample. 14:39:55

9 Q. I need to... 14:39:59

10 MR. HYNES: Do you want to take a 14:40:22  
11 break? 14:40:24

12 MR. BRALY: Sure. 14:40:24

13 (A break was taken.) 14:47:31

14 BY MR. BRALY: 14:47:34

15 Q. I understand what you're saying about 14:47:43  
16 the variability what we were talking about the 14:47:45  
17 variability of RIs within a bundle. I'm curious if 14:47:47  
18 you have ever -- you personally have ever tried to 14:47:53  
19 distinguish refractive indices within a bundle if 14:47:56  
20 you've ever tried to do that or if you are just -- 14:48:01  
21 this is just something that you wouldn't do? 14:48:04

22 A. You have to, because every image, if 14:48:08  
23 you look in the -- my Pittsburgh work, every 14:48:14  
24 structure shows a range of dispersion staining 14:48:20



1 color. As I said, if I'm going to publish a paper 14:48:25  
2 about distorted dispersion staining color, I would 14:48:31  
3 say the distorted dispersion color is everywhere. 14:48:37  
4 It shows in every structure I examined. 14:48:42

5 So for every structure I examined, I 14:48:48  
6 automatically switch between the central stop and 14:48:51  
7 Becke line. Occasionally I even use the annular 14:48:55  
8 stop, because that is three setting of the McCrone 14:49:02  
9 dispersion staining objective. It make it very 14:49:06  
10 convenient to switch between them without changing 14:49:12  
11 the objective. Okay. 14:49:15

12 Q. So I want to ask you about this, this 14:49:23  
13 section about misinterpreting your table. Let me 14:49:30  
14 get back on track. 14:49:54

15 You have a section of your report 14:49:56  
16 that claims that Dr. Longo is misinterpreting your 14:49:58  
17 table. Part of this I think is part and parcel of 14:50:02  
18 the decision Dr. Longo made to switch from using 14:50:07  
19 1.550 -- 14:50:10

20 A. To 560. 14:50:11

21 MR. HYNES: Let him finish the 14:50:14  
22 question. 14:50:16

23 Q. And the justification that Dr. Longo 14:50:17  
24 gave for switching from 1.550 to 1560 was that 14:50:19

1 statement I read earlier from your peer-reviewed 14:50:26  
2 publication from 2020? 14:50:28  
3 A. '22. 14:50:31  
4 Q. Thank you. I appreciate it. That 14:50:34  
5 statement once again was found in Exhibit 13 where 14:50:55  
6 it says [Reading] There are chrysotile minerals 14:50:59  
7 whose refractive indexes are significantly higher 14:51:01  
8 than those of a standard chrysotile from the NIST 14:51:05  
9 SRM 1866 set. In that case, 1.555 or 1.560 instead 14:51:08  
10 of 1.550 should be used to determine gamma. 14:51:16  
11 Do you see that? 14:51:20  
12 A. Yes, I do. That's my writing. 14:51:21  
13 Q. Right. That's what you published? 14:51:24  
14 A. Mm-hmm. 14:51:26  
15 Q. Right. So the relationship between 14:51:27  
16 NIST SRM 1866 and 1.550 RI fluid is .006. That's 14:51:32  
17 the difference? 14:51:44  
18 A. That's right, 005 to 006. 14:51:44  
19 Q. Right. 1866 SRM in your -- what 14:51:50  
20 you've offered here is that refractive index of NIST 14:51:56  
21 1866 is 1.556, right? 14:52:00  
22 A. Right. 14:52:04  
23 Q. Okay. So what you're saying is that 14:52:05  
24 there are chrysotiles that will have higher 14:52:08

1 refractive indexes than that; is that right? 14:52:12

2 A. Yes. 14:52:15

3 Q. Okay. And using that same gap of 14:52:15

4 .006, it seems like in this writing you're 14:52:27

5 anticipating the potential existence of chrysotile 14:52:30

6 with refractive index values as high as 1.566. 14:52:33

7 A. No. That is not true. Let me give 14:52:43

8 you the background I put that in my paper. That is 14:52:45

9 because M12001, in year 2001 NAVLAP the first time 14:52:53

10 use the Calidria chrysotile as a test sample. 14:53:04

11 Because it is about, as I said -- as you said, it's 14:53:11

12 about five unit in the third decimal place higher 14:53:15

13 than 1.866. So I believe quite a few lab failed the 14:53:21

14 test because they have never seen chrysotile like in 14:53:32

15 that kind of range of refract index. 14:53:39

16 Q. You're saying "that kind of range." 14:53:42

17 What you're indicating is that in 2001 Calidria was 14:53:44

18 being identified with an RI around 1.561? 14:53:50

19 A. 60. 14:53:54

20 Q. 60. You said it was five units in 14:53:56

21 the third decimal place higher than -- 14:54:02

22 A. The 1866. 14:54:02

23 Q. The 1866 is 1.56. 14:54:04

24 A. As you said it's between my table 14:54:08

1 here is for alpha is 006 higher. For gamma is 004. 14:54:11

2 Yeah. That is the range. 14:54:21

3 Q. That would be 1.560 for Calidria. 14:54:23

4 That was reflected in 2001? 14:54:27

5 A. Correct. 14:54:31

6 Q. 21 years later, you published a paper 14:54:31

7 saying that you should use a higher RI oil for some 14:54:35

8 chrysotiles? 14:54:40

9 A. Correct. Or so in that paper I said 14:54:41

10 for routine sample for the commercial lab, it's 14:54:48

11 okay, just keep using 1.55. However, when you are 14:54:53

12 treating the tested sample, because if you fail that 14:54:59

13 test twice in a row, your accreditation status were 14:55:04

14 being terminated. Therefore, when I go to the 14:55:14

15 asbestos lab, I always tell them when you are doing 14:55:19

16 the test sample, you better be more careful and to 14:55:24

17 use a 1.56 if it's chrysotile. Then your chance to 14:55:31

18 fail the test will be much less. 14:55:41

19 Q. Have you ever measured the refractive 14:55:43

20 index of chrysotile found naturally in a cosmetic 14:55:47

21 talc product? 14:55:54

22 A. No, because I never encounter that. 14:55:55

23 Q. Other than Dr. Longo -- and I 14:56:01

24 understand what you're saying that it's not 14:56:03

1 chrysotile at all, but other than Dr. Longo, have 14:56:05

2 you ever reviewed anybody determining the refractive 14:56:08

3 index of chrysotile found naturally in a cosmetic 14:56:13

4 talc product? 14:56:16

5 A. No, I never seen any literature or 14:56:17

6 report. 14:56:20

7 Q. So I'm taking it that you're not the 14:56:28

8 expert who would dispute or establish that 14:56:33

9 chrysotile was or was not ever present in any 14:56:35

10 cosmetic talc products anywhere, right? That's not 14:56:39

11 what you do? 14:56:44

12 A. No. 14:56:44

13 Q. Right. But to the extent that 14:56:45

14 chrysotile has been identified in some cosmetic talc 14:56:52

15 products, you're unaware of what the refractive 14:56:58

16 index would be for something like that, an inclusion 14:57:02

17 like that? 14:57:09

18 MR. HYNES: Form, vague, incomplete 14:57:09

19 hypothetical. 14:57:11

20 A. Because I never seen the report or so 14:57:14

21 I never seen the data, if they find chrysotile in a 14:57:17

22 talc powder, what is the refract index they report? 14:57:23

23 I have no idea. Okay. 14:57:29

24 Q. Have you ever evaluated the 14:57:34

1 refractive index of chrysotile from any deposit or 14:57:36  
2 location from China? 14:57:43  
3 A. No. 14:57:44  
4 Q. You have evaluated chrysotile in 14:58:20  
5 1.550 oil and 1.560 oil? 14:58:23  
6 A. Correct. 14:58:29  
7 Q. You did that as part of your 14:58:29  
8 Pittsburgh project? 14:58:33  
9 A. Yes. 14:58:35  
10 Q. I understand you disagree with Dr. 14:58:36  
11 Longo's interpretation maybe even the procedures 14:58:37  
12 that he followed, but the decision to utilize a 14:58:40  
13 different refractive index oil is not an error by 14:58:43  
14 itself, is it? 14:58:47  
15 A. No. 14:58:49  
16 Q. Okay. It's simply changes the 14:58:50  
17 calibration of what you're looking at? 14:58:55  
18 A. It changed the color. 14:58:57  
19 Q. Right. Then you would have to use a 14:58:59  
20 different chart to reflect for that different color? 14:59:01  
21 A. Exactly. 14:59:03  
22 Q. All right. I don't understand the 14:59:04  
23 kindergarten slide. I understand the words on it -- 14:59:30  
24 by the way, I'm looking at page 39 of Exhibit 3. 14:59:33

1 It's paginated as page 19 of the PowerPoint. 14:59:37

2 A. Should I explain? 14:59:42

3 Q. I would love it if you would. 14:59:43

4 A. Okay. The reason I used this 14:59:45

5 knowledge is, if you go to previous slide, Dr. Longo 14:59:50

6 said gamma value which is the parallel direction, 14:59:56

7 the range of the gamma is 1.540 to 1.580 which never 15:00:03

8 say that. The reason he interpret is because my 15:00:12

9 table is going from 300 to a nanometer matching 15:00:20

10 wavelength to 1,000 at the full range of the 15:00:30

11 dispersion staining color. Now, if you look at the 15:00:34

12 ISO chart, Dr. Eric put a dash line to say if it is 15:00:41

13 chrysotile, the gamma value is usually within this 15:00:52

14 narrow range. 15:00:57

15 Q. The ISO chart is the chart on the 15:00:58

16 right-hand side here, right? 15:01:00

17 A. What I'm saying here, that range cite 15:01:02

18 by Dr. Longo, 1.50 [ph] to 1.580 is the range the 15:01:06

19 color bar which is much wider that the possible 15:01:17

20 range of chrysotile. So you cannot interpret it, 15:01:22

21 the chrysotiles central stop dispersion staining 15:01:29

22 color could range from 300 to 1,000. Only in that 15:01:35

23 case then his statement, his interpretation is 15:01:41

24 correct. 15:01:48

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1                   However, when I put my table,                   15:01:49  
2           conversion table, I have to cover the all -- not           15:01:54  
3           only the possibility should be much wider than that.   15:02:00  
4           Slide in kindergarten if you measure the children's   15:02:06  
5           height, you use a -- they call the stadiometer. The   15:02:10  
6           stadiometer must accommodate a much taller height,   15:02:18  
7           which doesn't mean the children could be 6 feet tall   15:02:24  
8           but the tool you use that would cover that beyond   15:02:28  
9           that, as such.   15:02:36

10                   The ISO table, ISO color chart and my   15:02:39  
11           conversion table is cover all the matching           15:02:45  
12           wavelengths, not necessarily the matching           15:02:49  
13           wavelengths for the chrysotile, is only portion of   15:02:53  
14           that.   15:02:58

15                   Q.           So I am trying to figure out if we   15:03:01  
16           are really arguing about something worth arguing   15:03:06  
17           about here. What Dr. Longo reported was comparison   15:03:09  
18           of chrysotile, what he labeled this column as is the   15:03:14  
19           refractive index range in parallel. What you're   15:03:19  
20           saying is that your range does include those values   15:03:26  
21           even if overinclusive?                               15:03:30

22                   MR. HYNES: Misstates testimony.           15:03:33

23                   A.           What I meant, my table, the lowest   15:03:34  
24           refract index is 1.540. The highest is 1.580. It's   15:03:40



1 not -- I'm not saying, if you look my paper, never, 15:03:52  
2 ever in my paper I said the chrysotile gamma is 15:03:58  
3 within that -- is the highest is 1.58. The lowest 15:04:03  
4 1.54. It's not. The chrysotile is only a portion 15:04:10  
5 of that range. 15:04:16

6 Q. Here is my question. I shouldn't 15:04:18  
7 start it this way. These are all my questions. 15:04:22  
8 This is my next question. 15:04:24

9 MR. PLACITELLA: Your killing me 15:04:28  
10 here. 15:04:30

11 MR. BRALY: Thank you, Chris. 15:04:30

12 BY MR. BRALY: 15:04:32

13 Q. Earlier you told me that the highest 15:04:32  
14 refractive index value that you had ever seen for 15:04:35  
15 chrysotile was somewhere in the ballpark of 1.56 in 15:04:39  
16 the low end 1.56? 15:04:43

17 A. The highest I saw is 1.560 to 1.561. 15:04:49

18 Q. Okay. You did publish, I mean, this 15:04:55  
19 as a range that included a value up to 1.58. My 15:05:01  
20 question is, why did you publish that instead of 15:05:08  
21 something like 1.565 or something that would still 15:05:10  
22 encompass the upper end of what you think is 15:05:14  
23 possible? 15:05:17

24 MR. HYNES: Asked and answered. 15:05:17

1           A.           That paper 2003, in American           15:05:20  
2           Mineralogist is not a paper discuss the actual range   15:05:29  
3           of the chrysotile refract index. That table can be   15:05:36  
4           used for measuring other type material. You see?   15:05:41  
5           It can be used not only for chrysotile, for asbestos   15:05:51  
6           mineral. It can be used, the material with similar   15:05:56  
7           dispersion coefficient. Therefore, that table has a   15:06:04  
8           general purpose of use. So it is not a paper saying   15:06:13  
9           just for the asbestos analysis. Okay.           15:06:23

10          Q.           What Dr. Longo also records here is   15:06:37  
11          that Walter McCrone published a range for chrysotile   15:06:44  
12          in parallel or gamma of 1.570 to 1.548. Have you   15:06:48  
13          analyzed that underlying data and do you have any   15:06:56  
14          particular criticisms of that entry?           15:07:00

15          A.           No, because I know this is from a   15:07:03  
16          paper of Doc McCrone. He analyzed a series           15:07:07  
17          chrysotile from different locations in the world.   15:07:16  
18          One of the sample showed the gamma as 1.570. He   15:07:25  
19          reported that in his paper, but it's only at that   15:07:34  
20          specific location. It's not a general gamma value   15:07:42  
21          for the rest of the chrysotile.           15:07:47

22          Q.           What was the general location from   15:07:53  
23          which that finding came?           15:07:55

24          A.           You mean this high value?           15:07:59

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1 Q. Mm-hmm. 15:08:01

2 A. I don't remember. And he has a table 15:08:03

3 in that indicate which sample is from where. Okay. 15:08:04

4 But I don't remember exact location of that sample. 15:08:10

5 You see, when NIST, they try to issue a standard 15:08:23

6 reference material in concert with the AHERA law, 15:08:29

7 that's the time they fail the needs, we need to 15:08:39

8 issue a standard reference material for asbestos. 15:08:45

9 They screen many chrysotile from different 15:08:51

10 locations. Finally, they decide the Canadian 15:08:59

11 chrysotile is most representative. That's why they 15:09:04

12 use that as an SRN. 15:09:10

13 Q. One of the issues that Dr. Longo has 15:09:42

14 testified about and you've taken criticism with has 15:09:48

15 to do with the identification of Calidria at the 15:09:51

16 refractive index that he found versus what you found 15:09:57

17 in your Pittsburgh project last month. 15:10:02

18 A. Correct. 15:10:07

19 Q. Fair? Okay. And your -- the 15:10:07

20 position that you've taken here is that what he's 15:10:15

21 identifying as asbestos is talc; is that right? 15:10:20

22 A. That is my opinion. 15:10:25

23 Q. And that's here for every one of the 15:10:28

24 reports that you've looked at that is referenced in 15:10:31

1 your report? 15:10:34

2 A. Correct. 15:10:35

3 Q. That every time he identifies 15:10:36

4 chrysotile that's what he is identifying is talc? 15:10:38

5 A. Yeah, that is my conclusion. 15:10:43

6 Q. So, I want to ask you about how you 15:10:50

7 deal with a particular aspect of this. I am going 15:10:54

8 to mark as Exhibit 31, a report dated October 9, 15:10:59

9 2023. 15:11:04

10 (Exhibit 31 William Longo's Report dated 15:11:04

11 October 9, 2023 marked for identification.) 15:11:05

12 Q. This report is 196 pages long. So 15:11:05

13 what I am doing, is this report in total will be 15:11:08

14 Exhibit 31, but the section I am going to ask you 15:11:12

15 about is Section 5 of that report. That will be 15:11:15

16 Exhibit 32. 15:11:18

17 (Exhibit 32 Section 5 of Report dated 15:11:19

18 October 9, 2023 marked for identification.) 15:11:23

19 Q. What Exhibit 32 is, is a mixture of 15:11:23

20 Calidria asbestos mounted in a sample of bentonite 15:11:31

21 clay, okay? That is what Dr. Longo prepared. 15:11:38

22 So before I start asking about this, 15:11:43

23 I want to ask you a couple of questions. Have you 15:11:46

24 ever known California chrysotile to include talc as 15:11:49

1 a co-contaminant? 15:11:54

2 A. Not I'm aware of, because I never 15:11:58

3 investigated that. Okay. 15:12:01

4 Q. I asked Mickey Gunter the same 15:12:03

5 question about a year and a half ago. He also said 15:12:07

6 no. That's neither here nor there. 15:12:09

7 Are you aware of any co-contaminants 15:12:13

8 in California chrysotile deposits? 15:12:19

9 A. I don't read any literature about 15:12:24

10 that, so I don't remember what kind of contaminate 15:12:28

11 it has. If it's in the literature, maybe I have not 15:12:39

12 read that literature. 15:12:44

13 Q. The SG-210 that you evaluated with 15:12:48

14 Matt Sanchez and Bryan Bandli was included in a 15:12:52

15 mixture of talc powder, correct? 15:12:58

16 A. I think they are pure chrysotile. 15:13:02

17 Q. Okay. Did you also have a sample -- 15:13:06

18 samples that were just straight chrysotile? You may 15:13:10

19 have. Did you? 15:13:15

20 A. You mean Pittsburgh work? 15:13:24

21 Q. Yeah. 15:13:29

22 MR. HYNES: Take a look at them 15:13:31

23 titled Micrometer with SG-210 1.550 and 1.560. 15:13:38

24 MR. BRALY: Yeah, I see it. Okay. 15:13:46

1 Q. I take it you have never reviewed 15:14:01

2 this report before. This report. 15:14:03

3 A. Might have. It looks to me the title 15:14:16

4 I seem to remember. I look at that, but not 15:14:20

5 thoroughly. 15:14:28

6 Q. Okay. In the section that I'm 15:14:28

7 looking at here, which I think is section 5, yeah, 15:14:35

8 section 5, in a sample that has no talc in it but 15:14:42

9 does have Calidria -- 15:14:49

10 A. Which sample this? 15:14:54

11 Q. This is the sample of Calidria 15:14:56

12 mounted in bentonite clay. 15:15:00

13 MR. HYNES: What is the M number? 15:15:03

14 MR. BRALY: There isn't one. 15:15:04

15 A. That is spiked. The bentonite is 15:15:05

16 spiked with Calidria chrysotile. Of course you want 15:15:09

17 to see that. 15:15:13

18 Q. Right. What I'm saying is that this 15:15:14

19 is, without a doubt, chrysotile? 15:15:17

20 MR. HYNES: Objection; assumes facts. 15:15:20

21 Q. There is nothing else in there. 15:15:22

22 A. If it's a spiked with chrysotile, 15:15:25

23 under the presence of chrysotile should be a fact 15:15:32

24 because the sample is like spiked or contaminated 15:15:38

1 with chrysotile. 15:15:42

2 Q. Right. So what we are looking at 15:15:44

3 here on page six of Exhibit 32, that's chrysotile? 15:15:47

4 A. Yes. 15:15:55

5 Q. Okay. What color would you assign to 15:15:56

6 what's seen here on page six of Exhibit 32? 15:16:08

7 A. Without looking at the Becke line, I 15:16:11

8 cannot simply look at a central stop dispersion 15:16:17

9 staining color image to make the determination. 15:16:25

10 MR. HYNES: I will note that the 15:16:28

11 reproduction of this M71547-001CSM-002 chrysotile 15:16:29

12 looks like a faded-out copy version of an image 15:16:38

13 taken at Longo owes laboratory rather than digital 15:16:47

14 reproduction of same. 15:16:51

15 MR. BRALY: Thank you for your 15:16:56

16 opinion, Kevin. 15:16:58

17 THE WITNESS: One thing I could tell 15:17:03

18 from that image -- 15:17:05

19 BY MR. BRALY: 15:17:06

20 Q. This one? 15:17:06

21 A. The first one you show me, the 15:17:07

22 yellow. 15:17:10

23 Q. Yeah. This one? 15:17:10

24 A. Yes. I'm very sure, you see the 15:17:14

1           refract index down here it says RI 1.567 to 1.570.           15:17:20

2           That number doesn't match the color at all.           15:17:33

3                   Q.           How do you know that if you haven't           15:17:37

4           looked at the Becke line?           15:17:39

5                   A.           No.   What I'm saying, the refract           15:17:41

6           index, he showed here, if you go back to my table --   15:17:43

7           can you pull out my 1.550 table for chrysotile.           15:17:52

8                   Q.           I can, but what I'm trying to get at   15:17:57

9           is, if you don't know what color you're comparing it   15:18:00

10          to, how do you know that?           15:18:03

11                  A.           It doesn't match any color in this   15:18:05

12          image.           15:18:08

13                  Q.           Okay.           15:18:08

14                  A.           It doesn't match.   If you look at my   15:18:09

15          table.           15:18:12

16                  Q.           All right.   This is page 10, this   15:18:12

17          is -- can you not get a sense of the Becke line with   15:18:26

18          the polarizer out by looking at the border between   15:18:30

19          the fluid and the edge of the particle?           15:18:33

20                  A.           This structure is in the 45 degree.   15:18:38

21          It's neither parallel or perpendicular.           15:18:44

22                  Q.           Right.           15:18:52

23                  A.           Therefore, you cannot use this image.   15:18:53

24          Even use Becke line to determine if it's alpha or   15:18:57



1 gamma. 15:19:01

2 Q. In order to evaluate a Becke line, 15:19:02

3 does it have to be oriented in the parallel or 15:19:06

4 perpendicular direction? 15:19:07

5 A. Depending if you are assessing the 15:19:08

6 gamma, it's parallel. If you're assessing alpha, it 15:19:12

7 should be perpendicular. 15:19:18

8 Q. Even though this is on a 45-degree 15:19:19

9 angle which is appropriate for a photo, you can tell 15:19:24

10 the orientation of what this is by the relationship 15:19:29

11 of the other particles around it, right? 15:19:32

12 A. Mm-hmm. 15:19:34

13 Q. That's correct, right? You have to 15:19:35

14 say "yes." You just have to articulate yes or no. 15:19:38

15 You're saying "mm-hmm." 15:19:43

16 A. Your question again... 15:19:45

17 Q. With a particle in the 45-degree 15:19:47

18 angle, you can determine the orientation of it by 15:19:49

19 the reference to other particles in the image, 15:19:53

20 correct? 15:19:56

21 A. To determine what? 15:19:57

22 Q. For example, if we go back to this in 15:20:00

23 parallel, we can identify the structures that are 15:20:06

24 surrounding that fiber and then look at it in the 45 15:20:10

1 and determine the orientation of it in parallel, 15:20:15  
2 meaning the right edge, the area that's in the 15:20:22  
3 northeast corner of this is the same as the east 15:20:28  
4 side of the fiber in parallel? 15:20:31

5 A. No, because if you look, the 15:20:34  
6 polarizer is east/west. 15:20:40

7 Q. Right. 15:20:42

8 A. Therefore, this section at a 45 15:20:43  
9 degree, it is called gamma prime. It's between 15:20:49  
10 alpha and gamma. 15:20:53

11 Q. I think you're misunderstanding what 15:20:54  
12 I'm asking you, and I don't know how to make it 15:20:58  
13 clear. 15:20:59

14 The tip of this in the northeastern 15:21:00  
15 corner of what is page nine of Exhibit 32, the tip 15:21:04  
16 on the northeastern side of that fiber is the same 15:21:11  
17 location as the eastern tip of the fiber on page six 15:21:15  
18 of the same exhibit? 15:21:20

19 A. Yes. They are the same fiber. 15:21:21

20 Q. All right. So if we go to, say, page 15:21:23  
21 10 we are looking at that fiber, can we look at 15:21:27  
22 where the border between the oil and the fiber are 15:21:33  
23 blended together closest to determine the same Becke 15:21:36  
24 line effect that you had discussed previously? 15:21:40

1           A.           Yes or no. When I say "yes," if the 15:21:44  
2           Becke line image is focused, then you examine, you 15:21:51  
3           compare the dispersed Becke line color against Dr. 15:21:59  
4           Bloss's chart, you will know this structure has a 15:22:08  
5           higher refract index than the liquid. 15:22:18

6           Q.           This was another image. This is 15:22:27  
7           M71547-001CSM3. Do you this? 15:22:31

8           A.           I saw that. 15:22:37

9           Q.           Again, this is the Calidria sample in 15:22:38  
10          bentonite clay. Do you have any reason to dispute 15:22:42  
11          that the particles shown in this image is Calidria? 15:22:46

12          A.           It is Calidria, yes. 15:22:50

13          Q.           Okay. The same question then for the 15:22:54  
14          next photo, which is at page 18 of Exhibit 32, which 15:23:02  
15          is M71547-001CSM-004. Same question, given the 15:23:08  
16          preparation of the sample, is the particle shown 15:23:16  
17          here Calidria? 15:23:19

18                      MR. HYNES: Same objection. 15:23:21

19          A.           It is Calidria chrysotile and it's 15:23:28  
20          refract index looks, if it in general look like if 15:23:36  
21          you put a Calidria in 1.550, it should look similar 15:23:42  
22          to that. 15:23:48

23          Q.           Page 23 of Exhibit 32 is image 15:23:49  
24          M71547-001CSM-005. Given the preparation of this 15:23:57

1 sample, this being Calidria with bentonite clay, is 15:24:04  
2 there any doubt that the fiber in the middle of the 15:24:09  
3 screen is Calidria? 15:24:13

4 MR. HYNES: Assumes facts. I will 15:24:15  
5 have a recurring objection on this document. Each 15:24:17  
6 of the images shown have been these photographic -- 15:24:19  
7 or photocopied reproductions as opposed to digital 15:24:23  
8 reproductions of these images, sort of washed out 15:24:26  
9 and faded. 15:24:29

10 You can answer. 15:24:30

11 MR. BRALY: That is a profound 15:24:34  
12 speaking objection, but that's all right. 15:24:35

13 BY MR. BRALY: 15:24:38

14 Q. Do you remember my question? 15:24:38

15 A. Yes. 15:24:40

16 Q. Okay. 15:24:44

17 A. This is a chrysotile structure. 15:24:45

18 Q. The next image is at page 28 of 15:24:55

19 Exhibit 32. This is image identified as 15:24:59

20 M71547-001CSM006. Given that this sample was a 15:25:05

21 mixture of Calidria and bentonite clay, do you have 15:25:12

22 any reason or do you believe that this image 15:25:17

23 indicated in the middle of this screen is Calidria? 15:25:21

24 MR. HYNES: Again, same objections. 15:25:24

1           A.           It is Calidria, which used to spike       15:25:27  
2           the bentonite.   15:25:33

3           Q.           Yes. This is page 33 of Exhibit 32.       15:25:34  
4           Identified as M71547-001CSM-007. It's exactly the       15:25:45  
5           same question as I've been asking you. Is this       15:25:52  
6           particle in the middle of this screen Calidria?       15:25:55

7                       MR. HYNES: Same objections.               15:25:58

8           A.           It is.                                       15:25:59

9           Q.           Another section of questions I wanted   15:26:11  
10          to cover with you before we finish for the day. Do   15:26:14  
11          you know what inner growth are?                       15:26:21

12          A.           Yes.                                       15:26:23

13          Q.           What are they?                           15:26:24

14          A.           Intergrowth is a structure with two     15:26:25  
15          different type of related minerals. There is       15:26:35  
16          commonality between their composition and crystal   15:26:46  
17          structure. Okay. So the intergrowth can only       15:26:54  
18          happen between, like, an ISO morph series mineral   15:27:04  
19          from one end member maybe to the middle or something 15:27:12  
20          like that but not two different species. What I     15:27:17  
21          mean two different species I meant the composition   15:27:23  
22          and the structure. If they are drastically           15:27:28  
23          different crystal structure, they will never       15:27:36  
24          intergrowth together.                               15:27:41

1 Q. Thank you. Are you aware of the 15:27:44  
2 existence of talc and anthophyllite inter-growing 15:27:48  
3 together? 15:27:57

4 A. The talc and anthophyllite, the 15:27:58  
5 composition is similar. Both are magnesium silicate 15:28:05  
6 with hydroxyl molecule in the structure. However, 15:28:14  
7 their crystallographic structure is quite different. 15:28:25

8 Q. Yes. So first just for the sake of 15:28:27  
9 the court reporter, you said magnesium silicate with 15:28:31  
10 hydroxyl group, right? 15:28:33

11 A. Yeah. 15:28:36

12 Q. Okay. Makes it clear as day, right? 15:28:36  
13 But if you look at them under SAED, you will get 15:28:41  
14 different crystal patterns for them? 15:28:45

15 A. Yeah, right. 15:28:48

16 Q. They also will have different 15:28:49  
17 refractive indices, correct? 15:28:51

18 A. They are different. 15:28:54

19 Q. They are different? 15:28:55

20 Q. Have you reviewed Dr. Longo's 15:29:00  
21 analysis of intergrown species? 15:29:04

22 A. Which one. 15:29:08

23 Q. I will show you. 15:29:10

24 A. The one I believe I read when the 15:29:12

1 report said one end is talc, one end is chrysotile. 15:29:18

2 Q. That's what I want to ask you about. 15:29:22

3 A. I said it is a misinterpretation of 15:29:24

4 the color. 15:29:28

5 Q. All right. Let me ask -- go ahead. 15:29:29

6 It sounds like you're prepared to answer questions 15:29:33

7 about it. Go ahead. 15:29:37

8 A. Because there is no clear boundary 15:29:37

9 interface between the so-called two structures. The 15:29:48

10 only thing you can see from that image is the color 15:29:54

11 change, but not in between there is no interface. 15:30:00

12 Q. Can we take a look at some of these? 15:30:09

13 This is -- I want you to explain this, okay? 15:30:12

14 A. Okay. 15:30:15

15 Q. This is Exhibit 33. 15:30:16

16 A. This is a report issued June 13th of 15:30:18

17 2022 entitled "PLM Analysis of Talc/Chrysotile 15:30:20

18 Bundle Intergrowths." 15:30:25

19 (Exhibit 33 PLM Analysis of Talc/Chrysotile 15:30:22

20 Bundle Intergrowths marked for identification.) 15:30:25

21 Q. I am going to go straight to the 15:30:29

22 gamma, okay? 15:30:34

23 What we see here in the first image, 15:30:36

24 which is at page seven of Exhibit 33 and it's image 15:30:39

1 M71171-001 ISO 004. You see a fiber structure that 15:30:44  
2 has two distinctly different levels of brightness 15:30:55  
3 associated with each end of it. What is this in 15:31:05  
4 your opinion? 15:31:09

5 A. It is distorted dispersion staining 15:31:10  
6 color, not two type of mineral. 15:31:14

7 Q. Okay. 15:31:20

8 A. Because if you look at the crystal 15:31:21  
9 structure between talc and chrysotile, they are 15:31:26  
10 quite different. In that case, if this is an 15:31:31  
11 intergrowth, they should have a very distinctive 15:31:40  
12 boundary between the two species. They can never 15:31:44  
13 gradually transition between these two different 15:31:52  
14 crystal structures. So the difference show by this 15:31:57  
15 particle is only the central stop dispersion 15:32:05  
16 staining color which is no different from the other 15:32:11  
17 image it shows edge, middle, a range of dispersion 15:32:16  
18 staining color. So this is not an intergrowth at 15:32:23  
19 all. 15:32:28

20 Q. Let me scroll back here through some 15:32:28  
21 of these earlier images of this same thing. In 15:32:30  
22 exhibit -- page four of this exhibit, which is 15:32:34  
23 Exhibit 33, we are looking at the polarizer out 15:32:37  
24 photo. So it appears that there is a transition in 15:32:41



1 this fiber in materiality. I'm curious what you 15:32:50

2 think this is. 15:32:55

3 A. I can't see any transition. This 15:32:57

4 is -- I think this structure is a single structure. 15:33:01

5 It's not two structures with a boundary between 15:33:06

6 them. 15:33:11

7 Q. Because there is no boundary, you 15:33:11

8 don't believe the talc and chrysotile can 15:33:13

9 intergrowth? 15:33:15

10 A. That's right, because their crystal 15:33:16

11 structure is so much different. It cannot gradually 15:33:19

12 change from talc to chrysotile or from chrysotile to 15:33:25

13 talc. 15:33:31

14 Q. In the next photo which is page five. 15:33:32

15 This is the crossed polars photo. What in your 15:33:36

16 opinion is accounting for the change in coloration 15:33:40

17 from one end to the other on this one? 15:33:43

18 A. Thickness. 15:33:46

19 Q. Thickness. 15:33:47

20 A. You see, here is a crossed polarized 15:33:49

21 image. Then the color is the interference color 15:33:55

22 which is determined by two factors. One is the 15:34:07

23 difference between the gamma and the alpha or 15:34:12

24 between the largest versus the smallest refract 15:34:16

1 index. The second factor is the thickness. Okay. 15:34:22

2 Q. Okay. Jumping ahead -- I'm sorry. 15:34:29

3 For the next image here, which is page six of 15:34:33

4 Exhibit 33, on the elongation slide, is thickness 15:34:38

5 also the determinator for why the coloration is 15:34:45

6 different along the length of this fiber? 15:34:49

7 A. Yes. 15:34:52

8 Q. All right. 15:34:53

9 A. This is a cross polarized image 15:34:55

10 superimposed to buy a four-wave compensator, they 15:34:59

11 call it a four-wave plate, whatever you call, it is 15:35:06

12 an accessory in the polarized light microscope. 15:35:11

13 Q. Complicated pieces of equipment. 15:35:19

14 The next page is the page we looked 15:35:24

15 at previously. Does thickness of this structure in 15:35:26

16 your opinion account for the different coloration 15:35:30

17 here? 15:35:33

18 A. No. 15:35:33

19 Q. No. 15:35:34

20 A. What account for the variation of 15:35:36

21 dispersion staining color here is the total 15:35:41

22 refraction caused by interface between liquid and 15:35:49

23 the particle and also between particle fiber and 15:35:55

24 fiber. 15:36:02

1 Q. So here is where I'm struggling. The 15:36:02  
2 prior three photos had the same representative 15:36:05  
3 change in color in the prior three photos it was all 15:36:13  
4 due to thickness. But when we get to this one, a 15:36:20  
5 similar change of the same particle is now due to 15:36:23  
6 distortion. Do you follow why that's confusing to 15:36:26  
7 me? 15:36:30

8 MR. HYNES: Objection to form. 15:36:31

9 A. Yes. The reason that image is 15:36:31  
10 crossed polarized image, this is a plain polarized 15:36:36  
11 image and the optical chrysography they are showing 15:36:44  
12 a different aspect of the refract index 15:36:50  
13 relationship. Okay. 15:36:57

14 Q. Same image in alpha on the next page, 15:36:59  
15 which is page eight of Exhibit 33. What accounts 15:37:03  
16 for the difference in color here? 15:37:07

17 A. Distorted dispersion staining color 15:37:09  
18 due to the total refraction. 15:37:15

19 Q. Don't you find it a little bit 15:37:19  
20 coincidental that the distortion happens to coincide 15:37:21  
21 with the same locations on that fiber that you 15:37:24  
22 previously said were due to the thickness of it? 15:37:26

23 MR. HYNES: Same objection. 15:37:29

24 A. I don't see any problem with that. 15:37:31

1 Q. The next image in gamma is page 12 of 15:37:40  
2 this exhibit. This is M71202-005CSM003. What's 15:37:45  
3 identified as one end talc and the other end 15:37:55  
4 chrysotile I'm presuming you're saying could not be 15:37:59  
5 without a boundary. 15:38:03

6 A. That is my opinion. 15:38:04

7 Q. All right. What accounts for the 15:38:07  
8 differences on the left side of this fiber versus 15:38:12  
9 the differences on the right side of this fiber? 15:38:14

10 A. Again, it's normal central stop 15:38:17  
11 dispersion color or distorted central stop 15:38:24  
12 dispersion staining color. 15:38:30

13 Q. Okay. So if you took this same image 15:38:33  
14 and did a Becke line analysis of it, you're thinking 15:38:36  
15 you would get a singular refractive index for the 15:38:39  
16 entire length of that fiber? 15:38:42

17 A. If you use Becke line to examine this 15:38:44  
18 structure, you will find it's like the Cargille 15:38:52  
19 glass. You will find where it shows a match or 15:39:02  
20 dis-match or there is no match at all. Okay. 15:39:08

21 MR. BRALY: Kevin, I probably have a 15:39:19  
22 couple hours left of this, not of this specifically, 15:39:20  
23 but do you think we should probably just stop for 15:39:24  
24 the day because he has to get out at 4? 15:39:27

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1 MR. HYNES: Sure. Let's go off the 15:39:29

2 record. 15:39:30

3 (Witness excused.)

4 (Deposition concluded at 3:39 p.m.)

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Rule 30

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(A) to review the transcript or recording; and

(B) if there are changes in form or substance, to sign a statement listing the changes and the reasons for making them.

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